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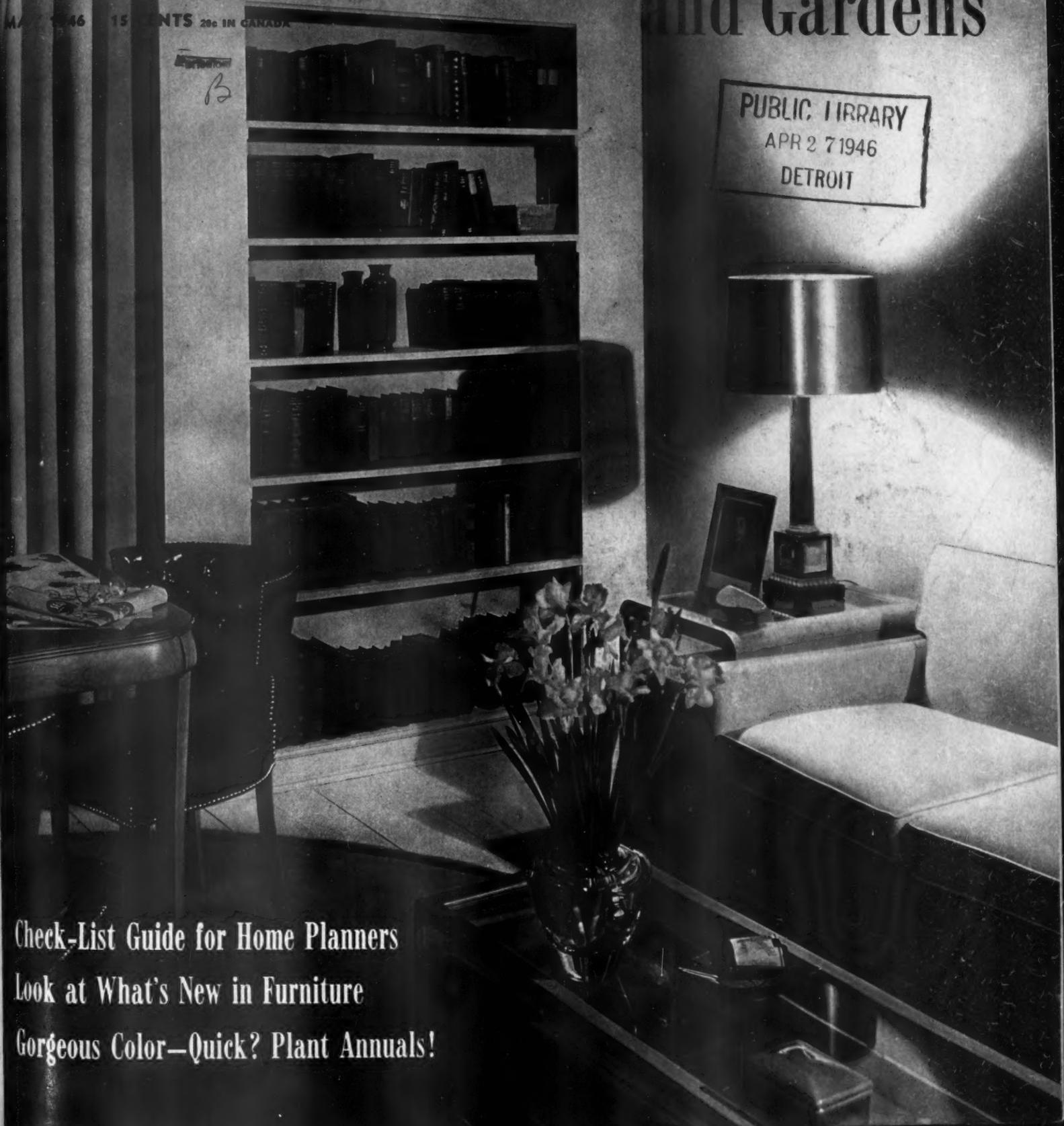

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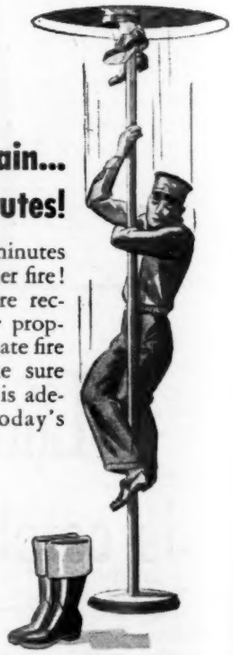

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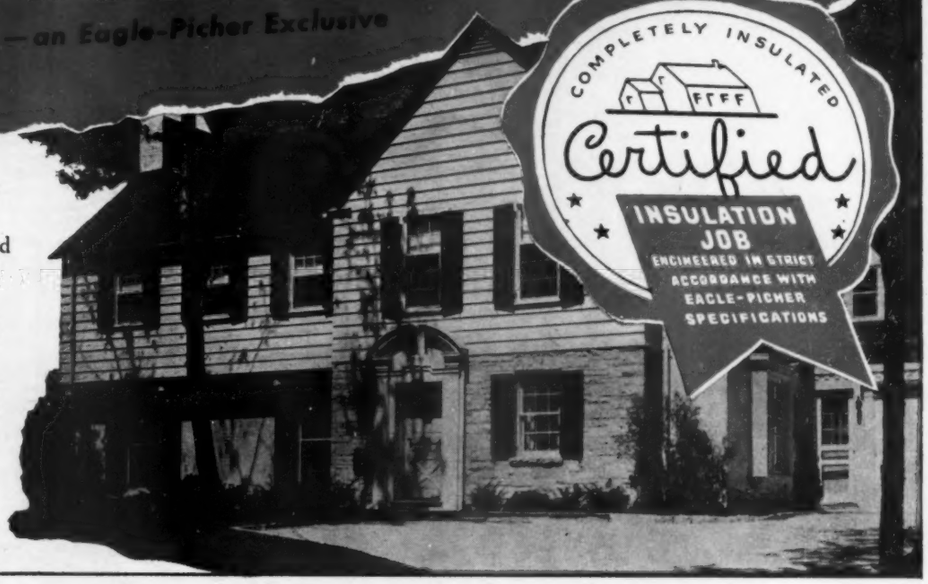

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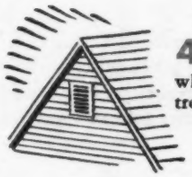

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To the Future— Without Fear

NOW that the fullness of spring is here, it is a melancholy commentary on man that he seems so out of season. Nature renews herself. Warmth and song are in the fields and hills. Man alone, among the works of Creation, has winter within him, his heart and mind still locked in a kind of ice.

There is a reason for this, of course. Our human society has had its nerves rubbed raw by war. The long years of bloodletting, destruction, and ceaseless shock—an agony without precedent—have left us with a world upended; and in that world it is all too easy to be afraid. It is all too easy, for instance, for a Russian to look to the West and talk himself into seeing a dozen different signs of a new alignment. It is all too easy for Britons and Americans to detect in the actions of the Soviet Union a black plot to expand and expand. Indeed, letting his mind roam freely thru the darker forests of conjecture, every man—no matter what his nationality—can see a future filled with nothing but the shape of an onrushing global catastrophe. There is radar. There is the transoceanic rocket. There is the atom. So let us all pull up the covers and quiver in our beds.

BUT THERE is such a thing as looking forward too far. There is such a thing as presuming to divine the future in a way given only to God. And when we go that way we are in danger of losing ourselves in what might be called an evilly enchanted castle of the mind—a self-hypnotizing maze of night-filled intellectual corridors that can be our undoing. There is no reason in logic or common sense why any healthy human being should brood over the coming of tomorrow. To brood is to embrace an unreasoning brand of pessimism, a sterile fatalism, a wicked drug of the human spirit. Brooding puts a killing blight on all efforts to build a decent peace and to harvest the fruits of that peace—bright homes, vigorous enterprise, measureless contentment of the heart.

ACTUALLY, it may be said of this spring—the first spring of the peace—that it is a far better spring than last year's or than any since 1933, the year Nazism seized power and began to exploit its hate. We are not concerned with dying and destroying now; we are concerned with living and with building—with creating, with the things that make existence good. Electronics? Atomic energy? Why should we fear such works of genius when with them we can develop tomorrow into an age rich almost beyond imagining? The opportunities are boundless. To make the most of them we have only to keep in mind that it is not the future that shapes us but we who shape the future—that man's destiny is in his own hands and in the gifts God gave him, and not in the distant, impersonal stars.

THERE IS A fine old American saying, "Hats off to the past, coats off to the future." This is no time for brooding. This is a time when the lot of us, like the rest of Nature, should be renewing ourselves. This is a time when man should cast aside his wintry thoughts and turn his face and energies to tomorrow with his heart lifted up—with faith, with hope, without fear. A new world, a better world, a world of shining promise, is beckoning to all of us.

Editor

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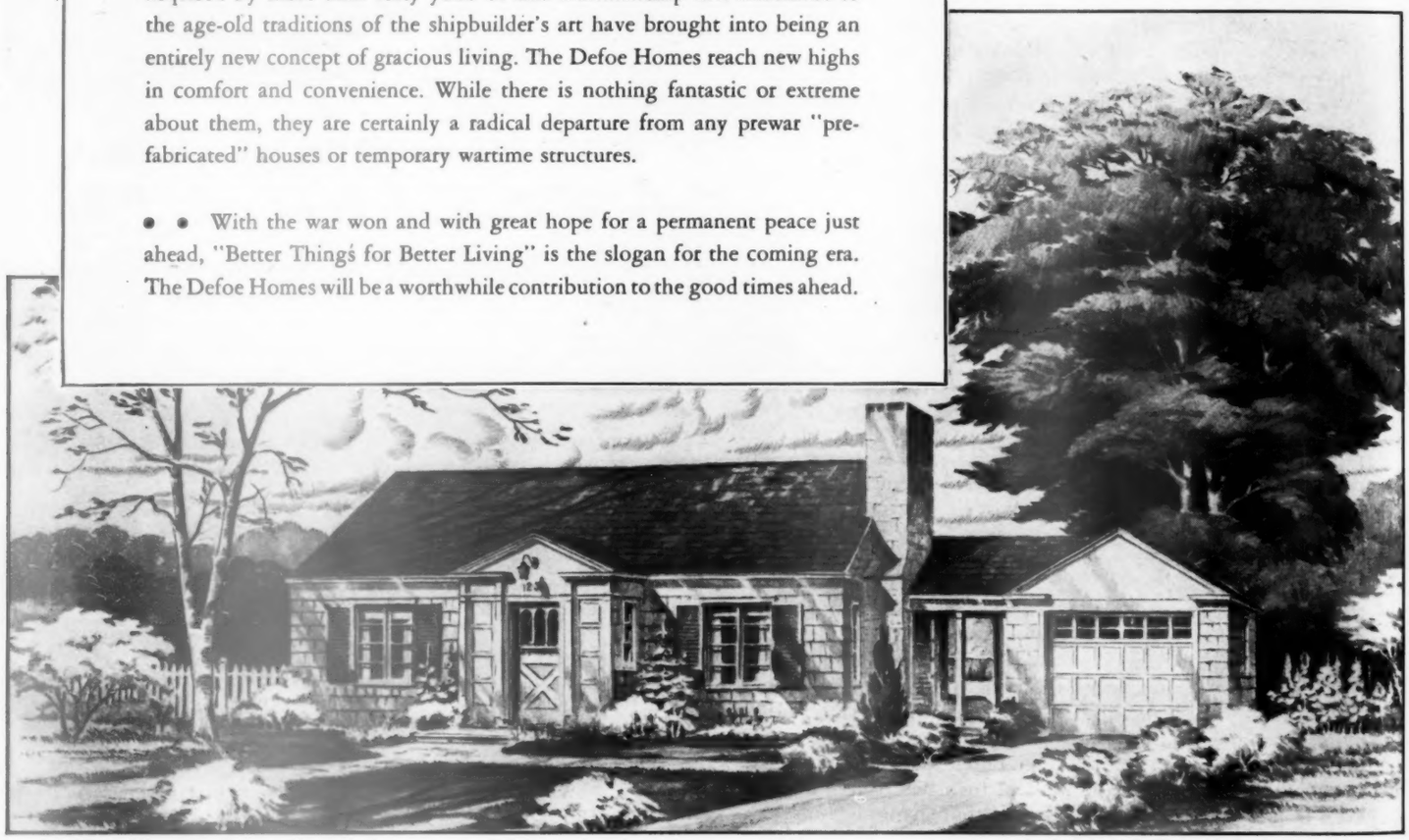
• • With the war won and with great hope for a permanent peace just ahead, "Better Things for Better Living" is the slogan for the coming era. The Defoe Homes will be a worthwhile contribution to the good times ahead.



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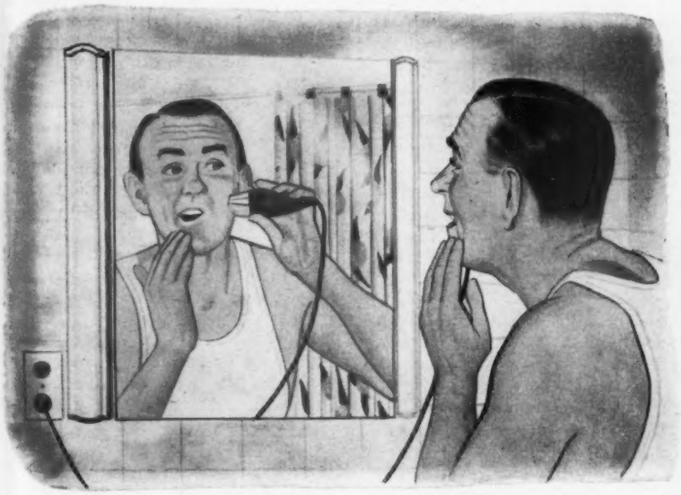

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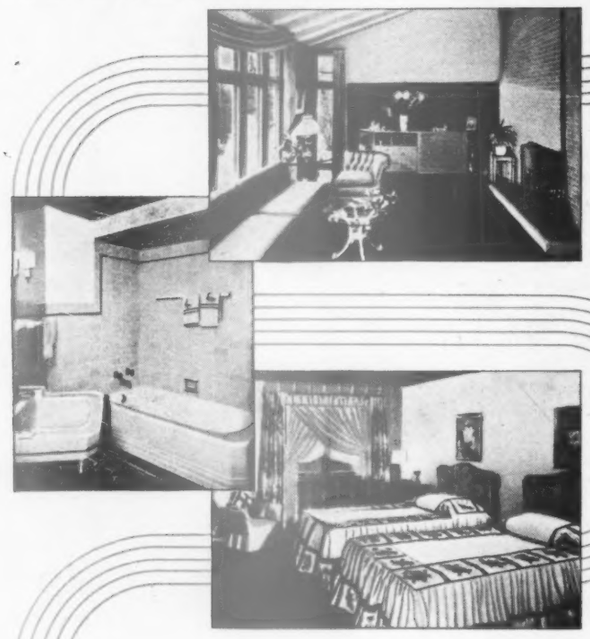

Is your bedroom colder than you like it on winter mornings? . . Is your bathroom as warm as you would like it for the early morning shower or the evening tub? . . Is your living room cold at one end? Are your floors cold and drafty?

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Increasing housing is one of the nation's most urgent jobs. Many new homes have been and will be built for veterans. But new houses, obviously, can't be produced quickly enough or in sufficient quantity to meet emergency needs.

Remodeling existing homes, to provide additional housing almost overnight, is often preferable. A spacious, old-fashioned house can be converted into small apartments much faster and more economically than a new house can be built.

Remodeling need not be a makeshift and temporary expedient. With a good design, additional housing can be created that will be a permanent asset to the community.

IF YOU own a home that would lend itself to conversion, don't conclude that remodeling is beyond your financial reach. If you are a good credit risk, the F.H.A.'s "pay-out-of-income" plan may make it possible for you to make monthly payments from added rent received.

Briefly, this is the plan. With the gross charge and discount table provided by the local lending institution or the F.H.A., you can determine the monthly payment required for the remodeling job you plan. Assuming that payment is well within your income, you may obtain aid in filling out the F.H.A. Title I Credit Application (Form FH-1) from the lender or from a builder or contractor.

In addition to assisting with priority and financing forms, many contractors and building-materials dealers are prepared to sketch suggested remodeling, to quote one price for the job, and to handle details of subcontracting work.

The general practice of lenders is to base Title I loans on your credit record and paying capacity. Security may be required. Financing charges on loans of $2,500 or less can't be more than the equivalent of $5 discount for $100 on a one-year, monthly-payment note. On loans of more than $2,500, the financing charges can't be more than $4 discount. Officials of agencies qualified to make F.H.A.-insured loans will explain in detail the operation of the plan, the forms required, the types of loans eligible, and the amount and terms permitted.

THERE are two types of Title I loans, the direct-to-borrower loan and the dealer-originated loan. In the first, the borrower obtains a cost estimate from a dealer or contractor and goes directly to the lending institution of his choice. There, upon approval of his credit, the loan is granted directly to him, and he in turn pays the contractor or dealer upon completion of the work.

Under the second type, the dealer computes the total cost of the job, makes an estimate, and quotes a monthly payment; the customer completes a Title I Credit Application, which is sent to a lending institution for investigation; the dealer completes the work, has the customer sign a Borrower's Completion Certificate, and signs a Dealer's Completion Certificate; both certificates and note are presented to the lending institution, which advances the money to the dealer.

Property owners who cooperate in the "Remodel for Veterans" program are eligible applicants for priorities assistance under Priorities Regulation No. 33 of the Civilian Production Administration (*Better Homes & Gardens*, March, page 16). The regulation sets up a preference rating system for 10 housing materials which are in critically short supply.

TO OBTAIN priority ratings from one of the 52 field offices of the F.H.A., an applicant must (1) show specifications indicating the extent to which he intends to remodel, (2) agree to offer the additional housing accommodations for rent only to veterans during the period of remodeling and 30 days thereafter, (3) indicate rental at which the accommodations will be made available, and (4) show that remodeling work will begin within 90 days after date of application. If the work has not been started within 90 days, the ratings become void and a new application must be filed.

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Timetable for Vacation Plans

PLANNING a trip? So, apparently, is a large part of the population!

Americans love their homes. They love them the more for the wholesome American custom of locking the front door at least once a year and setting out for a complete change of pace, people, and scenery. And today, with a 5-year-old wanderlust uncorked at last, with War Bonds padding the budget, and summer just ahead, small wonder there's travel talk at every dinner table and so many heads are full of plans: *This* summer, new tires or no, we'll get up to fishing country again! Isn't now the time at last to visit those cousins on the opposite coast? And why can't we, too, see Rio, Taxco, Ketchikan, and find out for ourselves what all the magic is about?

PLAN AWAY! No one will argue but that you and your family have a trip coming to you. You do need a rest. You need the satisfaction of rediscovering that the world is a beautiful place, filled with kindly people, and that fun is a worthy goal in itself.

But be realistic in your planning. It's quite true that we are entering a new travel era. By summer, airlines will be making initial flights with new planes of fabulous speed and comfort. By summer, the railroads will be initiating new cars; bus companies inviting you to board new coaches; steamship companies lowering the gangplank on at least a few of their reconverted and new ships; hotels, motor courts, and tourist accommodations everywhere striving to offer again to the public facilities long closed or reserved for military use.

BUT it is necessary also to face the fact that for this summer, at least, all travel facilities, old and new, still will be limited, the demand far beyond the capacity. Of the alluring possibilities you've been reading about: two-week air tours of Europe, motor trips north to Alaska, south to Panama; low-cost luxury aboard new cruise ships—many are still months and longer in the future. A majority of those already operating or definitely scheduled for this summer are heavily booked in advance. For the average family, consequently, the safest travel plans for this summer will be the most modest ones. You may find old haunts and nearby resorts ready and eager to welcome you. You will be able to move freely and with fair comfort thru most of this country and to the nearer vacation spots of Canada. But those other plans—for Europe and the Pacific, for Rio, Taxco, and Ketchikan—may well be, for the present, best left in the planning stage.

With both, the little trip and the big one, *Better Homes & Gardens* Travel Department will help you. Each month it will suggest desirable places to go, with tips on transportation, clothes, and things to see to help make your trip a success. Each month, also, it will report on new equipment, schedules, new routes, new prices—and the new places they will help bring within your reach. You may have to change your plans from time to time to keep pace with all this. But when you do put them into effect, next year or the year after, when at last you do travel in the new travel era, you'll be glad you waited.

FOR VACATIONS now, there's Canada, from the Gaspé, where Perron Boulevard winds thru villages French as France along the blue St. Lawrence, to Banff and Jasper National Parks and Lake Louise, again welcoming tourists into their blue, green, and white grandeur. If this is your first time across the border:

CANADA does not require passports. Wherever you enter, however, you will be briefly interviewed by Canadian Immigration and Customs officers. Speed the process by carrying identification papers: an old passport, your birth certificate, voter's certificate, letter of identification from a bank manager or responsible municipal official, personal letters, car license, driver's license, or veteran's discharge papers. Naturalized citizens: carry naturalization papers.

Automobiles for touring Canada may enter free for periods up to six months. Take along records identifying your car as to make, style, serial number, extra equipment, and license number, and evidence that you are the owner, or that you are authorized by the owner to use his car.

Gasoline is ration-free in Canada. But remember when you buy, that by Canadian Imperial measure a gallon is one-fifth more than it is here, so that five Canadian gallons equal six of ours, and the tank will fill and you will be charged accordingly.

IF THE children's dog crosses the border with you, he must be certified by a licensed veterinarian to be 1) free from contagious disease and 2) to have been within six months vaccinated for rabies.

Campers and pack trippers may find that certain foods are still rationed in Canada. Ration cards, however, will be issued [*Turn to page 91*

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Who said, "Beautiful blondes are dumb"?

I'll admit that when I married Connie I was dazzled by her beauty, but I soon found out she had plenty of brains, too. One day we were talking about the future, and I remarked that the present was so pleasant, the future could take care of itself. She gave me an odd look, and the next evening I found out why.

For when I got home from the office, there she was . . . smiling and as beautiful as ever. "Here, Braintruster, read this," she said with a quick kiss, as she handed me a small booklet. In five minutes it showed me that our future would never take care of itself. Because if anything happened to me, Connie's Social Security benefits would scarcely cover her minimum needs! Social Security might be an ideal base on which to build financial security, but a second, dependable source of income would certainly be needed!

Connie had the answer to that one too! She suggested we call the Mutual Life Representative in our community. So that same night the three of us got together. We discussed our minimum needs and determined our probable Social Security benefits. Then this friendly Representative showed us how a few dollars a week invested in Life Insurance would provide an "Insured Income" to bridge the gap between a bare existence and comfortable independence.

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- ▶ **New hope for elms**
- ▶ **Cedar-apple rust lessened**
- ▶ **Quick death for rats**
- ▶ **Fewer poor gladioli**
- ▶ **Less tulip blight**
- ▶ **Makes seed flats lighter**
- ▶ **"Snapping" asparagus saves time**

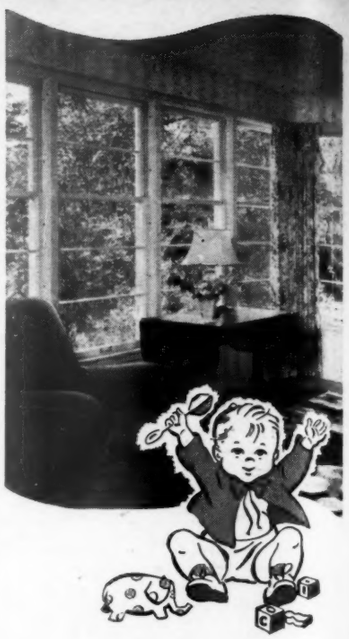
New hope for elms. DDT promises to be the major weapon in stopping the spread of Dutch Elm disease. According to Dr. P. P. Pirone of the New Jersey Experiment Station, the new insecticide is highly effective against elm bark beetle, the pest which spreads the disease from tree to tree. DDT also kills leaf beetles and leaf miners, pests which weaken elms seriously by skeletonizing the leaves.

At present there is no way to save trees once they have been infected by the Dutch Elm disease, but tree owners can increase resistance to infection by feeding and watering liberally. Preventing insect damage to the leaves also helps: leaves are needed for vigorous growth. Removal of dead branches eliminates breeding places of bark beetles.

Cedar-apple rust lessened. Now you can grow apples and crabapples near red cedars without severe leaf spotting on the apples. Fermate, a synthetic chemical available to home gardeners for the first time this year, is mixed with a wettable sulfur to produce the spray that makes this possible.

Apples and crabapples are sprayed five times during the spring, starting when the leaves are ¼ inch long. Protection is nearly complete if the Fermate-sulfur spray program is combined with a thoro spraying with Elgetol on the red cedars to kill many disease spores before they escape from the orange-yellow jelly-like masses. Dr. F. H. Lewis of Pennsylvania State College reports that Elgetol would injure the red cedars severely if used in concentrations high enough to kill all the disease spores.

Quick death for rats. ANTU, a new synthetic chemical rat killer, is scheduled for immediate release for nationwide retail sale. One pound of the pure chemical is enough to kill 200,000 rats. Fortunately, its lethal



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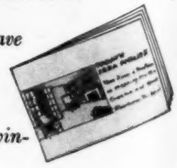

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action is quite specific. The common brown and gray rats, also mice, are highly susceptible. Dogs usually can vomit out the poison if there is food present in their stomachs.

The black rat of Gulf and Coastal States is not killed by ANTU. Squirrels, poultry, and wild birds also are quite immune. With reasonable care to prevent man from eating it accidentally, ANTU seems safe for use by homeowners.

Johns Hopkins' scientist Dr. Curt P. Richter was amazed to discover in 1941 that rats fed minute amounts of phenyl thiourea died within a few hours. ANTU, chemically alpha-naphthyl thiourea, proved to be equally toxic, also much more readily accepted by rats. Death is caused by drowning when the lungs become flooded by gland secretions.

Also new, 1080, an even more powerful rat killer developed by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Laboratory, is an odorless white chemical so deadly to man that its sale is restricted to licensed pest-killing agents.

Fewer poor gladioli. Dust corms now with DDT to free them of thrips, the tiny, lively black insects that cripple flower buds of gladioli in summer.

The treatment suggested by Dr. M. B. Farrar of the University of Illinois requires no special equipment: merely coat the corms by shaking them in a bag containing a 2 to 5 percent DDT dust. Corms should be dry, but do not have to be peeled or cleaned. Use of liquid forms of DDT is not recommended.

One ounce of dust is enough for a bushel of corms. The treatment can be used effectively up to 2 weeks before planting.

Less tulip blight. Fermate seems destined to outdate Bordeaux mixture as the spray for tulip blight ("tulip fire"). In tests made by Dr. J. C. Gould of the Western Washington Experiment Station, the disease was controlled more effectively, and spray injury to the tulips almost eliminated.

One ounce of Fermate is dissolved in 3 gallons of water. Add the best spreader-sticker available at your seed store so the spray will wet waxy surfaces of tulip leaves. Spray 4 times at 10-day intervals, beginning when the leaves are 4 inches high.

Makes seed flats lighter. Vermiculite, featherweight "popped" mica, makes struggling with heavy flats of soil or sand unnecessary for gardeners. Weighing only one tenth as much as soil, this material is odorless and rotproof, a flaky mineral exploded at high temperature to 15 times its original size.

Dr. Vernon T. Stoutemeyer of the U. S. Department of Agriculture has run numerous tests. Vermiculite has proved to be an excellent medium for growing seedlings and cuttings. When starting with seeds, it is best to cover the vermiculite with a thin layer of powdered sphagnum moss. Seeds germinate faster in this more moist medium.

Vermiculite has no food value. Seedlings must be fed a nutrient solution after the true leaves appear. Cuttings should be fed after roots are produced. [*Turn to page 107*

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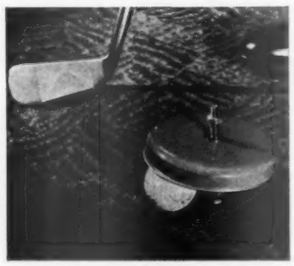
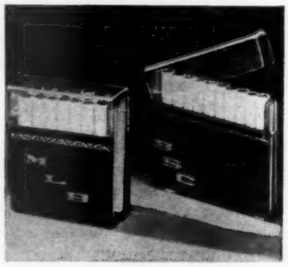
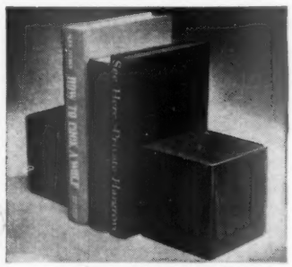


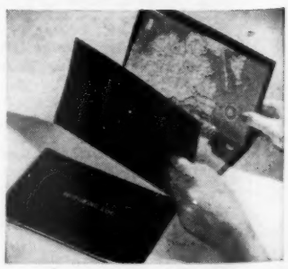
How not to lose your putting touch: practice with a putting trap on your rug or lawn. Trap takes only perfect shots, like a regular cup, and sets up instantly. You'll shrink your score and shorten the time you spend on the green. Remember Dad with one for Dad's Day. *Practisor Putting Trap*, steel, in red, green, or orange, each $2, ppd. (Specify color.) Berghman Co., 1027 Thatcher Ave., River Forest, Ill.



Some like them thin, some like them fat, some want one of each. To satisfy that trio of tastes, here's a pair of lucite and leather cigarette cases, chrome initialed. The flat one is ½" thin, holds 10 cigarettes, fits pocket or purse tidily, costs $2 ppd. Thicker case holds a package, costs $2.50 ppd. Either comes in red, green, blue, or brown. Specify 2 or 3 initials. Lucille Distributing Co., 637 Madison Ave., New York 22, N. Y.



Book ends for a man—one who appreciates the beauty of something simple and finely made. Solid cubes of red cedar, still with their heady, outdoor smell, are polished until the grain almost shimmers. They're book ends for a woman, too, in a room that doesn't go for frills and fussiness. Cubes are 4", have felt pad on bottom, satin finish. Pr. $4 ppd. Gilbert Degenhardt, 3652a Winnebago St., St. Louis 16, Mo.



For your motor tour: a map holder that keeps wieldy portion of map (16½" x 10") in sight. Outer pocket holds extra folded maps. *Map Holder*, soft, simulated brown leather, $1.25 ppd. Keep track of miles, gas, expenses, routes, places, and acquaintances in a *Motoring Log*. It fits pocket of Map Holder. Dark brown simulated leather, $1 ppd. Frederick H. Beach, 200 Fifth Ave., New York 10, New York. [*Turn to page 20*

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ROAST BEEF AT ITS GLORIOUS BEST! Place a standing rib roast of Swift's Premium Beef fat side up in open pan. Bake in a slow (325° F.) oven. For a 6 to 8 lb. roast, allow about 22 min. for rare; 26 for medium; 33 for well done. Cover tomato slices with buttered crumbs; broil. Serve topped with cooked stoned prunes. Garnish with parsley.

To get delicious beef every time, look for the name Swift's Premium, Swift's Select, or Swift's Arrow right on the meat.

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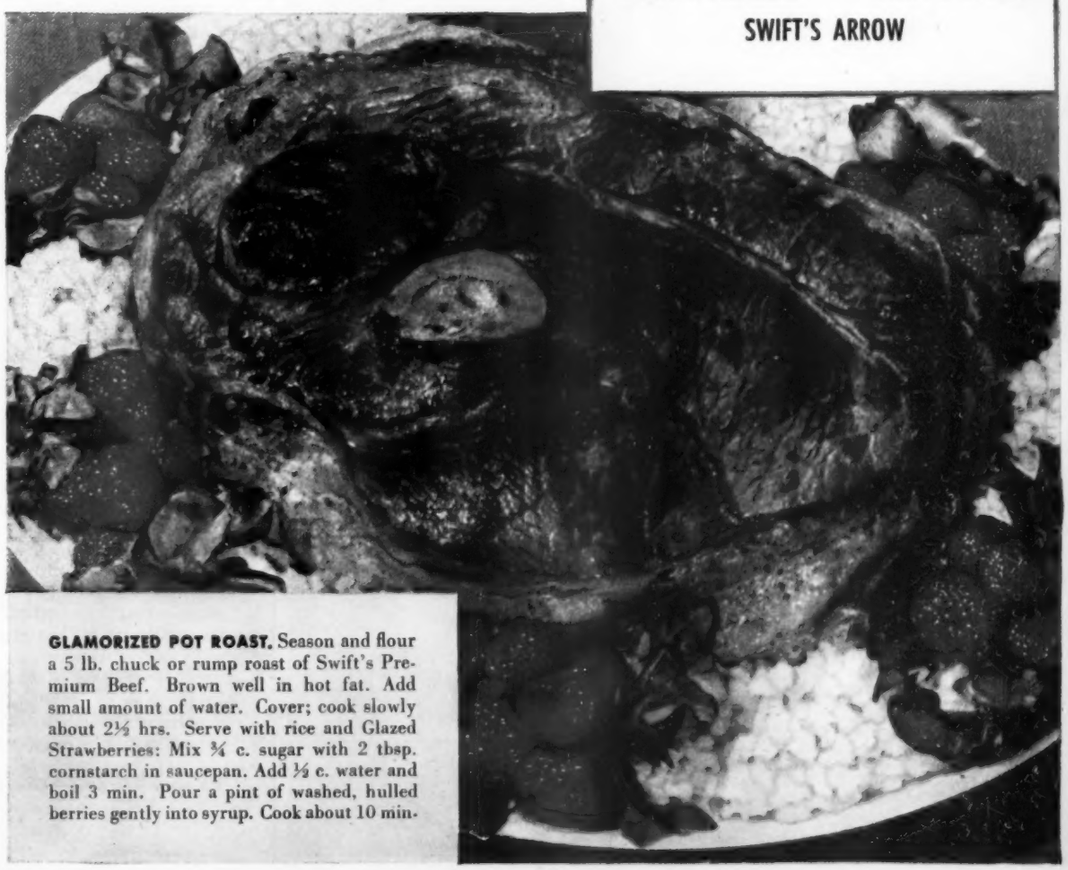
"GLAMOROUS" is certainly the word for a fine standing rib roast of beef . . . but a pot roast, too, can be glamorized as this picture so well shows.

In either case, the important thing is to get really fine beef to start with, and you'll get it—*every time*—if you buy a cut bearing one of Swift's brand names.

These famous names—*Swift's Premium*, *Swift's Select*, or *Swift's Arrow*—are right on the cut, to make your buying easy. They identify the selections of expert beef graders, men with long years of experience in picking out the tenderest, "best eating" beef.

So make it a rule to ask first for Swift's brands of Beef. Compliments will shower down, especially if you "glamorize" your roast as Martha Logan, Swift's chief Home Economist, has suggested here.



GLAMORIZED POT ROAST. Season and flour a 5 lb. chuck or rump roast of Swift's Premium Beef. Brown well in hot fat. Add small amount of water. Cover; cook slowly about 2½ hrs. Serve with rice and Glazed Strawberries: Mix ¾ c. sugar with 2 tbsp. cornstarch in saucepan. Add ½ c. water and boil 3 min. Pour a pint of washed, hulled berries gently into syrup. Cook about 10 min.

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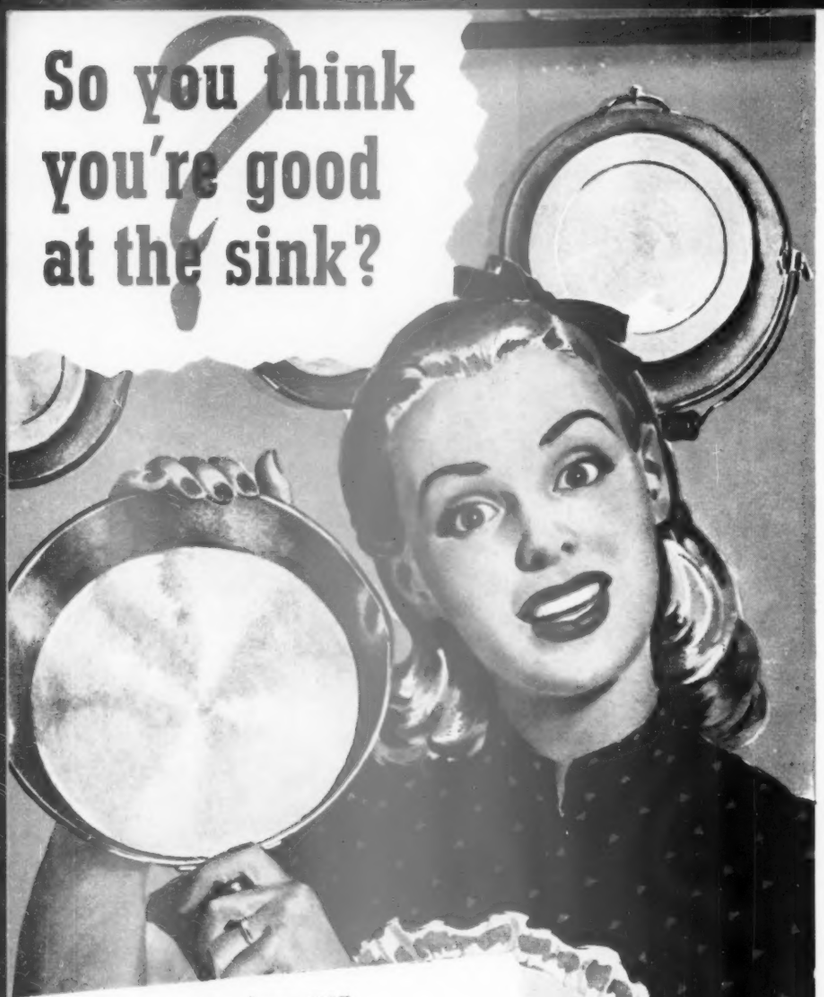

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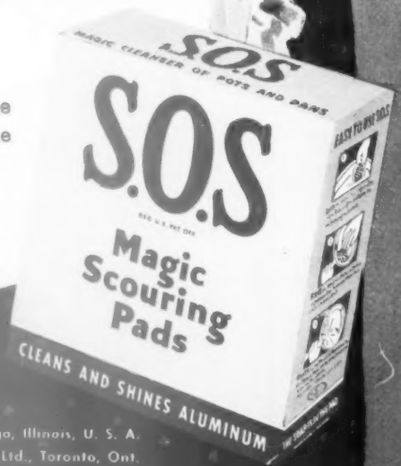

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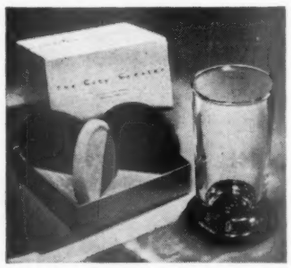

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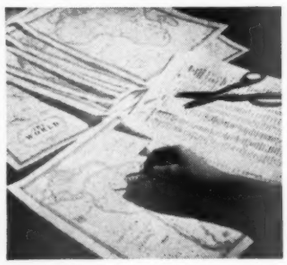

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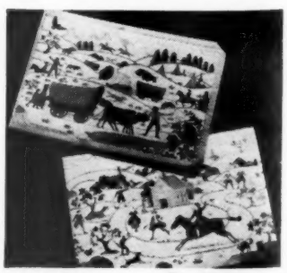

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If the house has a number of gables, too many contrasting colors should be avoided. All areas should be painted in one color and the front door or first floor shutters should be featured to subdue less favorable details.

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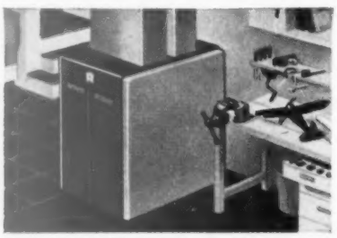

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Guide for Home Planners

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Use this check list to determine your real needs, whether you're going to build or buy

WHEN you sit down to decide what you want in a home, whether you're going to build or buy, the time has come to assume your most coldly analytical frame of mind. That home probably represents the largest single investment of your life.

Your choice of a plan and site can bring enduring satisfaction, as a reward for sober good judgment. Or it can bring year after year of dissatisfaction, perhaps a crushing burden of debt.

Unfortunately, all too many homes are built or bought on the basis of a hazy knowledge of fundamental needs, plus a sentimental affection for some relatively unimportant feature. Some families have chosen a floor plan simply because it specified an attached garage. Others have purchased homes because the door chimes play a tune. A pretty exterior package is nice, but a choice made on that basis alone is an almost sure guarantee of serious headaches a few years hence.

As a guide to a sound, intelligent selection of a home plan, *Better Homes & Gardens* presents herewith a check list where you may set down certain fundamentals, often overlooked. They are the key to a choice you won't regret. Use the check list with frank honesty and an open mind. Really search your soul for the answers, and you'll have a sound basis for selecting a home plan that fits your real rather than your imagined needs.

PLAN A BUDGET

The starting point of all home planning is cost. No matter what you want, if you just can't pay for it, postpone it until you can.

Modern home financing is liberal and flexible. You no longer have to acquire a large part of the cost thru arduous saving. Down payments as low as 10 percent can be arranged, and long-term mortgages reduce monthly payments. *But if you obligate your credit to the breaking point, you'll not enjoy your home, no matter how attractive it is.*

As a first step in home planning, sit down in family conclave and check your assets—savings and assured income. Decide how much of that income you can apply to the cost of a house on a monthly basis; one-fifth to one-fourth is a conservative basis for figuring. Multiply that sum by 100, add it to savings available, and you'll have a safe budget figure.

The cost of a home is more than the cost of site and construction. You'll want it attractively furnished, decorated, and landscaped. Make an inventory of furnishings and equipment you'll have to buy, and include the cost in your budget. Allow, too, for "extras" such as architect's fees, cost of plans, and possible upward revision of cost estimates.

1. How much will you have available monthly for principal, interest, taxes, and maintenance? ..... $_____
2. Including your lot, house, new equipment and furnishings, decorating, landscaping, and extra fees, you should be able to spend 100 times that amount, or ..... $_____
3. The amount of cash you have to spend on your house $_____
4. Adding 2 and 3 gives you the total investment you should plan on ..... $_____

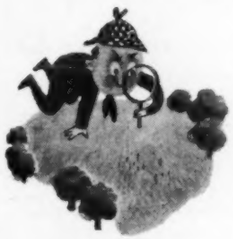
WHERE TO BUILD

Before planning the house, decide where you'd like to live; the site will influence most of the detailed decisions you make about the house itself.

First consider the pattern of your family living—how much time you're willing to spend going to and from work, where you'd like your children to go to school, the sort of entertainment you prefer. Having found a general location that fits your needs, check the neighborhood for transportation, schools, churches, zoning restrictions, daily shopping facilities, traffic hazards, recreation, and tax rates.

After selecting a neighborhood, choose a site that satisfies your family's tastes for contour, trees, and view, one that will permit development of outdoor features you want. Check all utilities—sanitary sewer, water, gas, electricity, and paving.

Zoning, used to keep commercial properties out of residential districts, has had great development in the past 20 years. Upon choosing a site, ask your city engineer if it is in a district zoned for residential building.



Your city assessor can give you the tax rate and any special assessments for the lot. The city or county engineer can answer questions about utilities.

If you do not own a lot, answering the first four questions will help you select one.

1. Present status of your lot:
Own lot ..... ☐
Do not own lot ..... ☐
Are considering a lot ..... ☐

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2. The lot you own (or would *like* to buy):

Contour: rolling ..... ☐
level ..... ☐
Size: depth ____ feet
frontage ____ feet
Location: corner ..... ☐
inside block ..... ☐

3. If you now *own* a lot (or have one selected), how many blocks from the site is the nearest:

School? ..... _____
Shopping center? ..... _____
Theater? ..... _____
Public transportation? ..... _____
Church? ..... _____

4. Is the neighborhood zoned for single family homes? Yes ☐ No ☐

5. What is the present tax rate?

$_____ per $1,000 valuation

6. Any special assessments? ..... Yes ☐ No ☐
Does your lot have trees? ..... Yes ☐ No ☐
Does it have a pleasant view? ..... Yes ☐ No ☐

7. Are facilities available for:

	Yes	No
Paving?	☐	☐
Water?	☐	☐
Sewer?	☐	☐
Electricity?	☐	☐
Gas?	☐	☐

STYLE AND SHAPE OF HOME

Your family may have definite ideas about the exterior appearance of your home—the general shape, the number of stories, the architectural character. If so, you'll want to give these preferences priority.

But they're not the best basis for selecting a plan. Style and shape mean less to occupants than to neighbors and passers-by. *A plan which provides the rooms you need, in the size and arrangement best fitted to your family, is much more important than any period style arbitrarily chosen because you like its looks.*

A one-story house costs slightly more than a one-and-a-half or a two-story design of the same size, but is gaining popularity because of lack of stairs and general added convenience. Many people, however, insist on second-story bedrooms. Basements are a "must" with most people because they've always had one. Construction and heating improvements have eliminated the need for basements, so you have an actual choice today.

1. How many stories? ..... 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐
2. Will it have a basement? ..... Yes ☐ No ☐
Will it have an attic? ..... Yes ☐ No ☐
3. What style of house?

New England Colonial ..... ☐

Southern Colonial ..... ☐

English cottage ..... ☐

Georgian ..... ☐

Ranch house ..... ☐

Cape Cod ..... ☐

Contemporary ..... ☐
Other ..... _____
Don't know ..... ☐

4. Would you prefer to build your house:

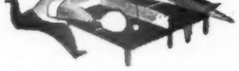
Full size now? ..... ☐
Small, but planned for expansion? ..... ☐

5. Your family—probable number of:

Adults ..... _____
Boys ..... _____
Girls ..... _____
Servants ..... _____
Total ..... _____

RECREATION

Consider well the ways your family likes to spend spare time at home, and the facilities needed for rest and recreation. List the games each member of the family likes to play, and the hobbies he likes to follow—reading, photography, woodwork, music, and the like. Do you entertain often? If so, how many guests are you likely to have? Do you want room for children's parties?



When you have discussed these points thoroly, check recreational activities in which you are interested, using the chart below. Keep in mind needed equipment.

1. Your family's recreational interests:

First, check the activities in which your family is interested:	Second, write in below the room or rooms in which these activities will usually be located
Reading ☐	_____
Music ☐	_____
Cards ☐	_____
Dancing ☐	_____
Photography ☐	_____
Woodworking ☐	_____
Home movies ☐	_____
Table tennis ☐	_____
Radio listening ☐	_____
Parties ☐	_____
Other _____	_____

2. Your furniture and equipment needs:

	How many will you move in old?	buy new?	Estimated cost if bought new
Couches	____	____	$_____
Easy chairs	____	____	$_____
Radio or radio-phonograph	____	____	$_____
Piano	____	____	$_____
Card tables	____	____	$_____
Card chairs	____	____	$_____
End tables	____	____	$_____
Occasional chairs	____	____	$_____
Rugs	____	____	$_____
Carpets	____	____	$_____
Lamps	____	____	$_____
Bookshelves	____	____	$_____
Game storage	____	____	$_____
Darkroom	____	____	$_____
Workbench	____	____	$_____
Tool space	____	____	$_____
Projection screen	____	____	$_____
Game tables	____	____	$_____
Other _____	____	____	$_____
		Total cost new	$_____

3. Having arrived at the uses you want to make of each room and the furnishings you'll need, you will be able to establish *what* rooms you'll need. Also, you learn what new pieces to plan for in your furnishings budget, room by room, as you go.

Rooms for recreation: Check if you plan a

- Living room ☐
- Den ☐
- Recreation room ☐
- Hobby room ☐
- Porch ☐
- Terrace ☐
- Yard picnic area ☐
- Other _____

EATING

Where do you prefer to eat? Decide this question meal by meal—breakfast, luncheon, dinner, and snacks. And don't forget special occasions, or how many guests you are likely to have at one time.

Does your family prefer a separate dining room, or would an alcove at one end of the living room serve as well? Do you want a breakfast room, or would a corner of the kitchen be satisfactory? Do you need a snack bar for children in the kitchen?

Does your family enjoy outdoor meals in season? Would a barbecue picnic area in the garden be used a great deal? Weigh these alternatives and list your preferences.

1. In which place does your family prefer to eat:

Breakfast:
- Kitchen ☐
- Dining room ☐
- Breakfast nook ☐

Lunch:
- Kitchen ☐
- Dining room ☐
- Breakfast nook ☐

Dinner:
- Kitchen ☐
- Dining room ☐
- Breakfast nook ☐

2. Like these features:
- "Bar" between kitchen and dining area ☐
- Outdoor dining terrace ☐
- Fireplace in yard ☐

3. In entertaining for dinner, how many?
- Maximum number of guests _____
- Normal number of guests _____

4. In general, do you prefer your eating area as a:
- Separate dining room ☐
- Combined living-dining room ☐
- Combined dining room-kitchen ☐

5. What equipment do you expect to have?

	Check if you plan a	How many will you move in?	buy new?	Estimated cost if bought new
Table for _____ persons	☐	☐	☐	$_____
Buffet	☐	☐	☐	$_____
China cabinet	☐	☐	☐	$_____
Chairs for _____ persons	☐	☐	☐	$_____
			Total cost new	$_____

COOKING

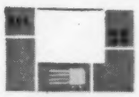
Preparation of meals and disposal of the debris are the major work problems in any household. The homemaker spends more working hours in the kitchen than anywhere else, so that room calls for more thought and planning than any other.

Much thought is being given these days to pleasant surroundings in this work center. Kitchen equipment manufacturers are constantly improving ranges, refrigerators, sinks, and cabinets. Home economists and food processors study endlessly to make meal preparation easier.

Today's kitchen can be combined with dining or with laundry facilities. It can be as compact as a dining-car kitchen, or large and colorful. For efficiency, it should be one of three standard shapes—U, L, or two-wall. Analyze the illustrations of these basic types and make your choice.

1. What shape kitchen:

L-shaped ☐



U-shaped ☐

Two wall ☐

Other _____

2. Check if you want freezing and canning facilities in:
- Kitchen ☐
- Utility room ☐
- Basement ☐
- Other _____

3. What equipment will you move in or buy new?

	Move in	Buy new	Estimated cost if bought new
Range	☐	☐	$_____
Refrigerator	☐	☐	$_____
Dishwasher	☐	☐	$_____
Home freezer	☐	☐	$_____
		Total cost new	$_____

BATHING AND HYGIENE

Most families today want better and more flexible bathing conveniences. They want to avoid the rush-hour jam, when everyone pounds on the bathroom door at once. They want showers as well as tubs, and storage space for towels and other bathing equipment. Powder rooms and toilet rooms, in compartments of the main bathroom for use by more than one person, are growing in popularity.

A bathroom for every bedroom is ideal, but too expensive for most of us. A bedroom lavatory in a corner cabinet is a useful and not too expensive alternative.

A combination bathroom-dressing room is proving very popular, even if it means decreasing the size of a bedroom. In a larger bathroom, there is space for such extra equipment as sun lamps.

1. Check the number of toilet rooms and bathrooms:

Check how many
- Toilet rooms _____
- Bath No. 1 _____
- Bath No. 2 _____

Check what equipment will be included in each

	Tub	Shower	Water Closet	Lavatory
Toilet rooms	☐	☐	☐	☐
Bath No. 1	☐	☐	☐	☐
Bath No. 2	☐	☐	☐	☐

2. Do you prefer equipment:
- All in one room? ☐
- Separate rooms for toilet and bathing? ☐

3. List other room or rooms (basement, bedrooms, etc.) in which you want:
- Lavatories _____
- Water closet _____
- Showers or tubs _____
- Clothes hamper _____

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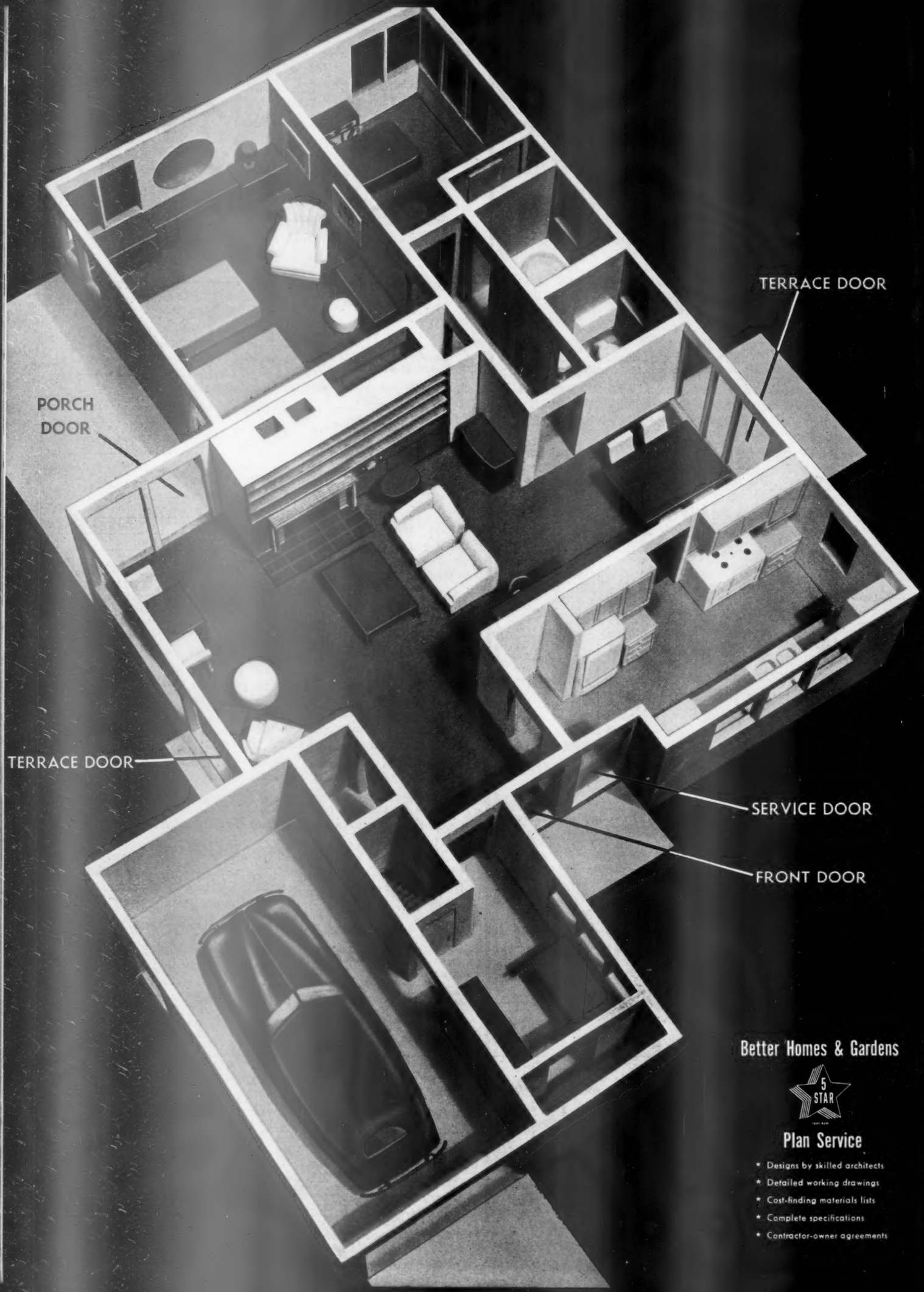

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Ideal for newlyweds, this home can expand with the family, and without signs of growing pains

By Bob Jones

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SATISFYING, convenient indoor-outdoor living, hallmark of the best in modern home design, is expertly provided for newlyweds, a family of three, or the couple whose children have grown and gone, in this—the fifth of the new series of *Better Homes & Gardens Five Star Plans.*

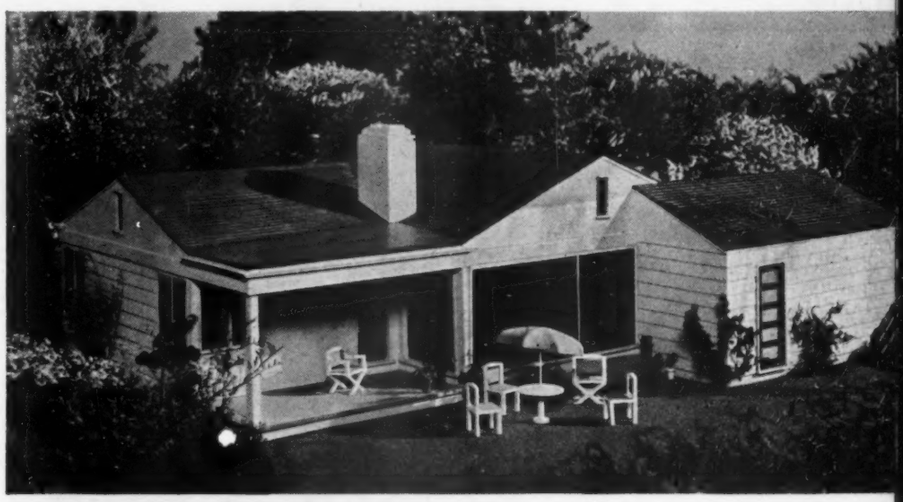
The house and its site, designed by Chapman & Evans, New York architects, are planned as a single unit to fit a modest budget without strain. This home is decidedly "minimum" in cost, yet in appearance and convenience it provides many features usually realized only in far larger homes.

The house itself has the clean, honest appearance of forthright American design. Within, the design is dictated by space economies eliminating luxury areas without startling departures from accepted standards.

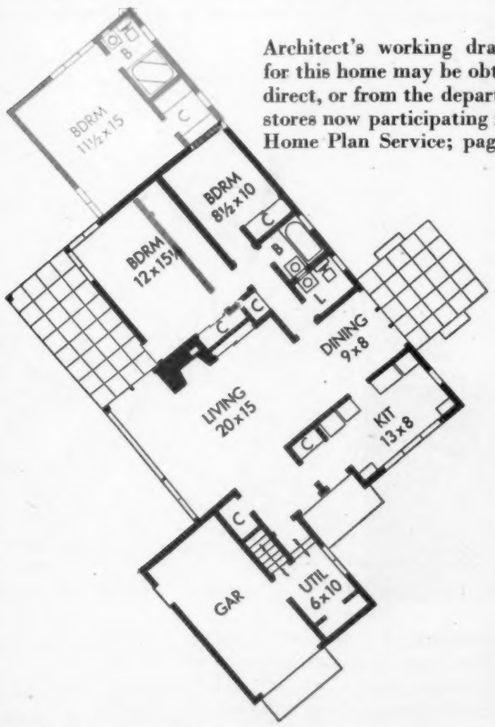
IN THIS plan is an excellent solution of the entrance problem, a unique "double-entry" system. From beside the garage, twin screened and louvered doors lead inside. The left door opens into an entrance hall off the living room, a hall that also holds coat closet and doorway to the utility room, garage, and basement. The right door is a service entrance to the kitchen, which also can be reached from entrance hall or dining space.

With this unusual entrance grouping, deliveries are made by the shortest route without disturbing the family or guests. If you make your own deliveries, or want a dry entrance during a [*Turn to page 130*

Facing the street are garage, utility room, and kitchen. Double doors provide convenient guest and service entrances. Fencing accents the low, comfortable lines



The sheltered side porch can be reached from living room or bedroom. The side door in the garage gives access to the drying yard. Below, a pergola treatment lends interest to the shaded dining terrace. Third bedroom could be added at the right



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Saunders

Single peonies look like enormous wild roses. Where the central tuft is enlarged, they're termed anemone type. These are good for garden and cutting

Planting. Too-deep planting often causes peony failures. Hold so that plump pink eyes (crown buds) are only two inches below surface of the bed after the soil is replaced and settled

Disbudding. For specimen blooms, cut out side buds when terminal and secondary buds are at stages shown at left. The terminal buds, freed of competition, will come on rapidly

The Peonies Men Grow!

By J. Evans Hendricks

If you question the lure of peonies for the male, just cast your eye over your friends' premises and watch attendance at the peony show at the corner bank this year

THERE'S something about a peony, a clean-smelling, husky bloom, that appeals to a man. Doctors, lawyers, merchants, bricklayers, cartoonists, engineers, printers, and plumbers all admit it. At the peak of the peony season, a man's wife may upset all his plans for gloating over rival peony fans by cutting his prize blooms for church or party just before the gloat session can start. But that won't stymie those plant orders—"for just a few more, my dear."

It all makes sense. Peonies aren't demanding. Plant them in early spring or fall in good soil in full sun and they'll bloom. These herbaceous peonies are hardy and exceptionally long-lived. In northern gardens, their own frosted foliage mulches the soil about them against winter heaving. They hold their places presentably all season and don't suffer a whit when you drop everything and go off on vacation.

But—if a man wants to, he can feed, and water, and stake, until even the best peonies break their own records.

There's nothing showier than peonies for edging the drive or to set off a lawn you've fed and watered and mowed to perfection. And they're great as a cut [*Turn to page 128*

Watering. Water well when terminal buds are an inch thru, giving each plant at least four gallons. Apply in shallow trench opened for the purpose out below the overhang of the foliage

Double peonies may be flat, rose-shape, or globular. Mons. Jules Elie is best-known, pink bomb-type

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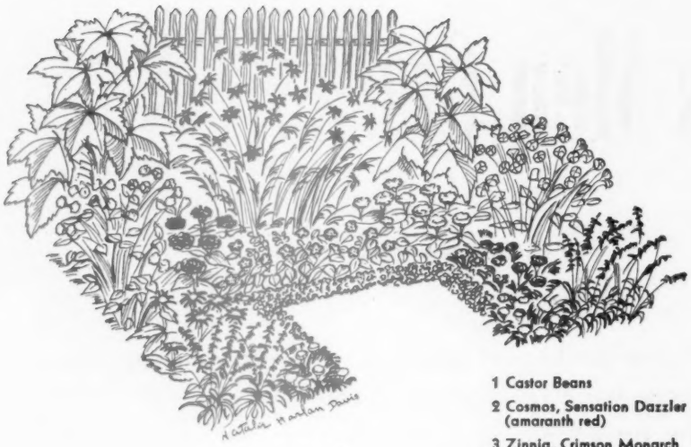
Annuals Give You Color Plus

By Fleeta Brownell Woodroffe



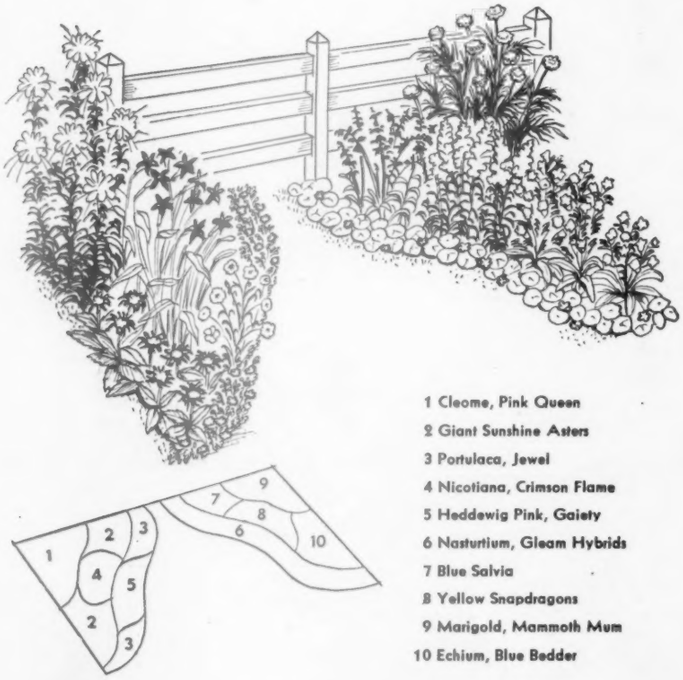
1 Castor Beans
2 Cosmos, Sensation Dazzler (amaranth red)
3 Zinnia, Crimson Monarch (dark, red)
4 Petunia, Twinkles (rose-red with white star)
5 Zinnia, David Burpee (pastel shades)
6 Four-o'clocks
7 Aster, Heart of France (red)
8 Sweet Alyssum, Violet Queen
9 Marigold, Real Gold
10 Blue Salvia
11 Marigold, Butterball

Summer Fantasy. Harmonious and ever so gay, this flower patch is sweet smelling, too, and provides buttonhole flowers, as well as candidates for buxom bouquets seven days a week until frost.

ANNUALS can be the special glory of your place this summer if they're arranged with thought as to which will rub shoulders with what. Plants already started will give quicker effects, but seeds can be sown and the plants started right where they're to flower. Full sun is a necessity for all the annuals shown on these plans. Give them a medium-rich soil.

Set zinnias, marigolds, asters, cleomes, and salvias 12 to 15 inches apart. Allow castor beans 2 feet apiece and four-o'clocks only a little less. Set sweet alyssum 6 inches apart, petunias, portulacas, and pinks with about 9 inches between.

If you buy flats of plants from your florist, pry off a side and remove the plants each with its roots in an unbroken block of soil. With roots unharmed in the transfer and a cup of water apiece to settle them, stocky annuals get off to a rapid start.



1 Cleome, Pink Queen
2 Giant Sunshine Asters
3 Portulaca, Jewel
4 Nicotiana, Crimson Flame
5 Heddewig Pink, Gaiety
6 Nasturtium, Gleam Hybrids
7 Blue Salvia
8 Yellow Snapdragons
9 Marigold, Mammoth Mum
10 Echium, Blue Bedder

Twin corners, one in gold and blue, and the other rosy, cheerful, and sweet smelling. Plantings need not be identical if balancing beds are alike in outline. Annuals used to fill blue and gold corner on right are Blue sage and Echium Blue Bedder and three yellows—Marigold Mammoth Mum in the corner, with yellow snapdragons at middle and a wide band of Nasturtium-Gleam Hybrids across the front.

The corner in pinks has the airy Cleome Pink Queen for height at back, Giant Sunshine asters and fragrant Nicotiana Crimson Flame thru the center, with the new Portulaca Jewel and a stretch of Gaiety, one of the prettiest of the Heddewig Pinks, to the front.

Easy and quick, nasturtiums give a friendly welcome. Newer varieties are fragrant. This gay little flower patch greets all who cross the sunny lawn to knock at the door of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rousselot, Santa Anita Rancho, California.

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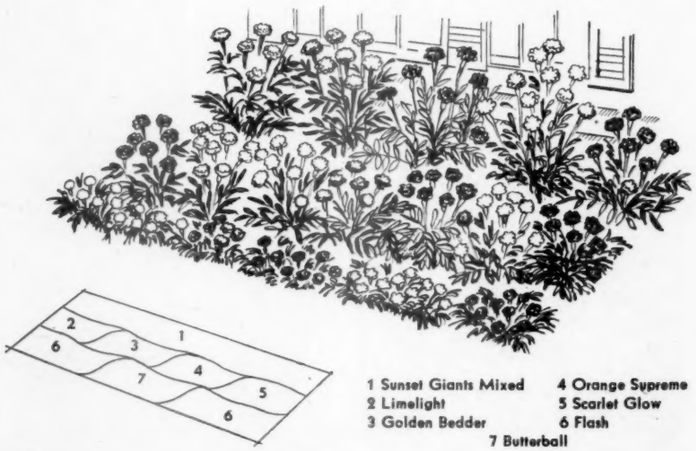

1 Sunset Giants Mixed
2 Limelight
3 Golden Bedder
4 Orange Supreme
5 Scarlet Glow
6 Flash
7 Butterball

Marigold Border. Arrange plants according to their height in drifts within three bands. Flash and Butterball marigolds occupy the front. Color intensifies as middle ribbon changes from pale Limelight thru the deeper-colored Golden Bedder and on thru showy Orange Supreme to Scarlet Glow. Sunset Giants in mixed colors have the height and bulk to make a good background. This plan can easily be repeated with telling effect to fill a long border.

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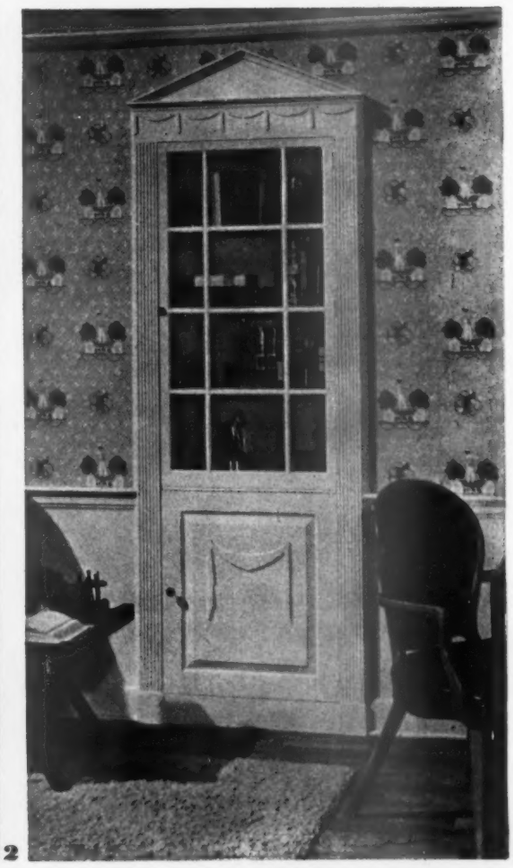

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1 There's a new curve on this Modern Georgian mantel. Upper ledge and shelf bow out, giving 5-inch-wide display space at center for ornaments. The grate opening varies in size to fit facing. Most mantel styles combine equally well with brick, tile, or marble. When used over a chimney breast, there are additional side panels and an extension for upper shelf and ledge. All mantels are set up when they arrive, and take less than half a day to be installed, ready for your paintbrush

2 This cabinet grows up with the baby. In early life, it's a home for toys; later on, for schoolbooks or a 'teen-age collection. Brightly painted back panels and shelves show off contents. Cabinets also are available without back panels, to show room's wallpaper

3 Dignity and clean-cut design of this cabinet make it suitable for either books or china. Storage space below all closets is divided by a single shelf, which allows room at the bottom for a coffee urn 14 inches high. Cabinets come in corner and rectangular styles

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FURNISHING NEWS

By Ethel Brostrom

THE best of today's new furnishings emphasizes usefulness; the trend is to eliminate work and extra pieces. Constructed to make life easier for you, the new pieces have designs that are simplified.

On these and the following pages, you'll see cabinets and mantels made to look built in, altho you buy them in the finished pieces ready to assemble; end tables that convert to card tables; chests that double as end tables; drawers in pieces that never before had any.

Mantels, cabinets, and china closets—factory fabricated from Ponderosa pine—come complete except for installation, painting, and hardware for the closets. Most can be adjusted to meet your room problems. Choose your style from a range that blends with all of today's familiar and popular types of architecture. They're designed by outstanding American architects.

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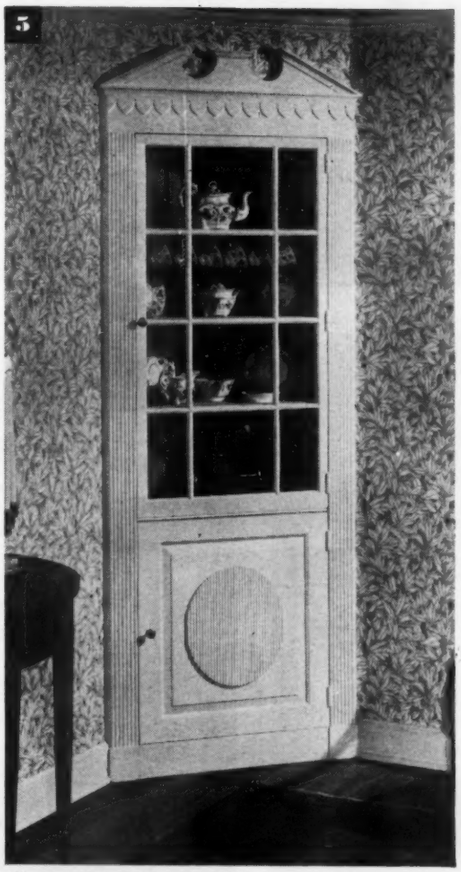
4 Rounded look and simplicity of design give this mantel modern character. The size of the opening can't be altered, but its height can be changed—without destroying the line or proportion—by cutting down the delicately-reeded pillars. Altho both of the mantels shown on these pages are painted white, they could be finished in a color that would blend with the rest of the room's decorating scheme. Moss-green, for instance, creates a color harmony that is pleasant during both summer and winter seasons



5 Corner cabinets usually are simpler to install when remodeling than rectangular cabinets, which require wall space about 10 inches deep. Just put cupboard in corner, add wallboard at top, cover with wallpaper and molding to match rest of room. Like other designs, this cabinet harmonizes with most styles of architecture. Corner shelves hold 12-inch dinner plates; while the rectangular cabinets hold 10-inch plates

6 Linen closet is hall hideaway for blankets, bed linen, towels. Shelves and drawers come as a unit or separately. Set of drawers can be used alone in almost any room as movable furniture. They slide easily, are 21 inches deep, 24 inches wide, various heights. Shelves in upper cabinet adjust to any height. Unit may be set out in room or installed in wall, comes complete with back and sides to keep contents free from dust

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INTERCHANGEABLE CHESTS--PAIR, GROUP OR STAND ALONE!

7 Here a few pieces do a lot because they're all the same height. A dark-green-lacquered chest forms the center of interest in this living-room arrangement, breaking the monotony of the natural-oak units. Note the shelves at both ends of coffee table

8 Night stands join together to make an interesting, corner-bookcase grouping. Rounded-end cases are lacquered in color as part of the room's decorating scheme. Using lacquer is a smart, new way to emphasize your color scheme and add an unusual touch

9 This looks like a built-in unit, but is made up of three individual pieces. Chests stand same height as the headboard and fit flush with the bed. Altho they come in a variety of widths and colors, chests are all the same height, designed to be used in any room

10 The same chest shown by the bed joins a simple table here to form a practical kneehole desk. Arrangement gives you ample storage space and extended working surface. The well-designed chair offers back comfort, would be good in a dining room

11 This chest doubles as an end table, also could be the china section in a chest-on-chest arrangement. It can be had with drawers instead of shelves

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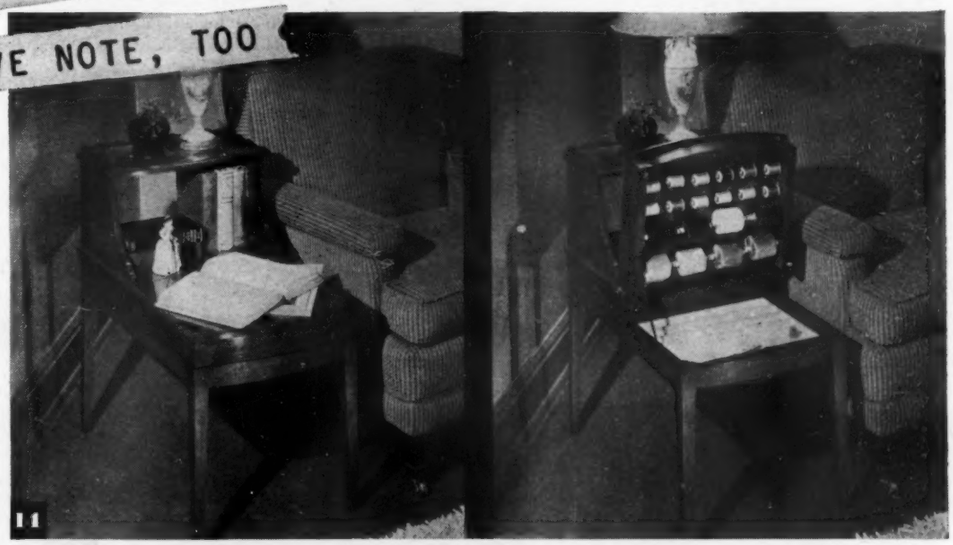
DUAL PURPOSE TABLES--CONVERT FOR ADDED SERVICE, PROVIDE A DECORATIVE NOTE, TOO



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12 The two mahogany tables shown here are as useful as they are good looking. Practical ideas incorporated in the coffee table before the fireplace are a raised edge encircling the rim, and a handy drawer underneath. Console table, to the left of the fireplace, can be pulled out from the wall and opened wide, to be used for informal dining or playing cards and games

13 These three matching tables can either be joined together to form a dining table of any length, or used separately as side pieces in a room. An interesting note is the new smoked-glass surface, very decorative, yet easy to clean. The wood has a grayed, ribbed finish, which contrasts, and frames the back and seat padding

14 A smart, attractive shelf table that hides sewing-cabinet compartment to keep your sewing and darning needs conveniently at hand. Flat surface of table is hinged, lifts up to reveal rolls for spools, a recess for other sewing accessories. When not in use, this surface provides space for magazines or books. Top of shelf accommodates lamp and plant. Table is available in both walnut and blonde finishes

15 Here, a new 18th Century table cleverly combines end-table service with usefulness as a card table. Move the table out from the wall, lift the drop leaves on each side, pull out the hidden slides at each corner, and you've ample room for any game, plus convenient space for ash trays or refreshing drinks. The leather top and leaves have a lovely mellow finish with edges trimmed in 14-karat gold tooling. The base of the table is mahogany, in a simple curved design. Casters on feet make moving about easy

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EXTRA USEFULNESS TUCKED AWAY IN NEW TABLES OF SIMPLIFIED DESIGN

16 Mahogany coffee table is shown here at its full extension. Center leaf is removable, can be turned over and used as a tray. When not in use, it fits in compartment directly beneath surface. Top is finished with fine-leather inlay

17 True to period, for use in an Early American room, maple table has modern efficiency—drawers and drop leaves that help it fit into any space

18 Economy of space for the small room is expressed in these neatly tailored, upholstered pieces, and in new lines of the leather-topped coffee table and convenient, matching corner table

19 With coffee tables getting longer, why shouldn't they serve more than one purpose? Here, side space is used for magazines. Generous lower shelf holds oversize books and maps

20 This new type of table has a top wide enough to accommodate lamp, plants, or knickknacks. The excellent storage space beneath is well arranged, offers a handy access to magazines, photograph albums, even phonograph records

21 Reminiscent of a fine Sheraton piece, this end table has a variety of storage space—four small drawers, two top surfaces, shelf underneath

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MORE FLEXIBILITY--MORE STORAGE SPACE --THE NEWS IN THESE PIECES!

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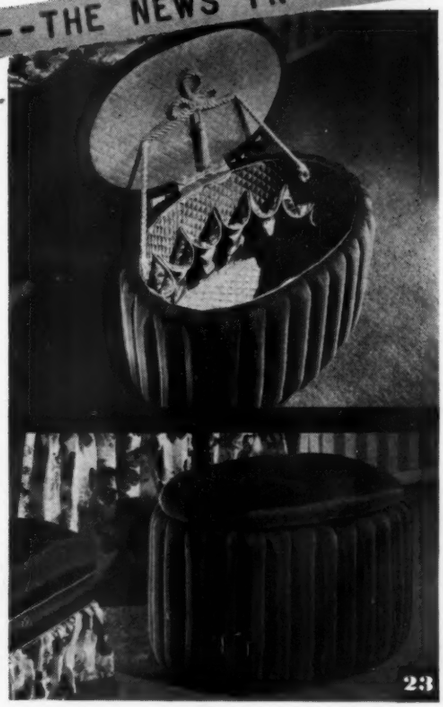

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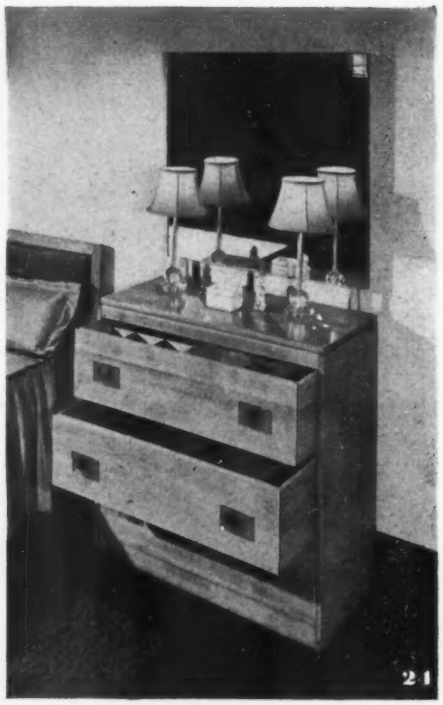

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22 With sectional couches taking the spotlight in upholstered pieces, here's an ideal corner arrangement. This is a new wood, too, called bent ash, and constructed not to splinter or snag at the corners. Matching bamboo tables have two tiers; end tables even have three

23 This unusual hassock opens to provide handy storage space. Compartments around sides are designed to hold shoes or articles of similar size. Manufactured in both round and oval shapes, they come in many new colors in floral, plaid, or plain patterns. This particular model is covered in evergreen faille. Such a hassock is a handy double for a vanity bench

24 This modern dresser has carefully planned, built-in compartments in each of the drawers. Divided tray for jewelry or accessories is removable and allows room beneath for additional things. The two drawers below are divided into three sections each, to help you keep your lingerie in neat piles. Smoothly finished interiors won't snag fragile things

Same Lot—More Living

By David Phillips Dean

Don't rush to the country or be panicked into buying that extra building lot. Wait until you've scrutinized every unit and every foot of land you now own for ways to make them do double duty. Whether you're already established or starting to build, you can get twice the living from the same space—if you plan

YOURS—from lot line to lot line. That's the idea. To make it so, your property needs definitely marked boundaries. Carry the plantings to the street walk if you like. Flowering hedges provide many a bouquet and require less attention than all-green, clipped ones. The neighbors like them, too.

If your lot is narrow, omit most of the large shrubs and plant your flowers along the house foundation. Trailing roses and flaming honeysuckle vines will dress up a steep front bank that's sunny, and do away with mowing there. You'll not get so many flowers, but periwinkle with its bonny, blue stars, Baltic ivy, the plain and colored, small-leaved euonymus, and pachysandra will do the same for a shaded bank and keep it green and good-looking all the year.

Fence your back yard for privacy, then grow grapes, pole beans, and berry vines against the fences. Plant fast-growing sweet cherries, nuts, and Dolgo crabs in place of elms for back-yard shade.

PUT the walls of your garage to use, inside and out. Tack lattice strips to the outside to support roses, tomatoes, and grapes. Inside, let thin plasterboard doors close shallow cupboards lining each wall. Into these, dozens of small objects can be hung handily. Make a play space or storage room under the eaves. It takes only cleats nailed firmly to the uprights to make a ladder. Or rig up the necessary pulley and ropes and have a real stairway, with the treads nailed to a section of the ceiling that you can let down when traffic and occasion demand it.

Often it's the little things that count—hammock hooks ready for that lazy hour, handy hose connections, a stout hook on the post of Junior's swing to which extra clothes-lines can be fastened when blankets and draperies need sunning. Have a comfortable settee near the kitchen door with a boxed-in seat into which you can drop tools, garden shoes, and galoshes.

LIGHTS and electrical outlets rate A-1 in importance. You'll want perfectly perked coffee for suppers outside, and hot toast for June breakfasts when strawberries are ripe and there's plenty of cream. A good light with reflector above the garage door will make shuffleboard games on the drive possible long after dark.

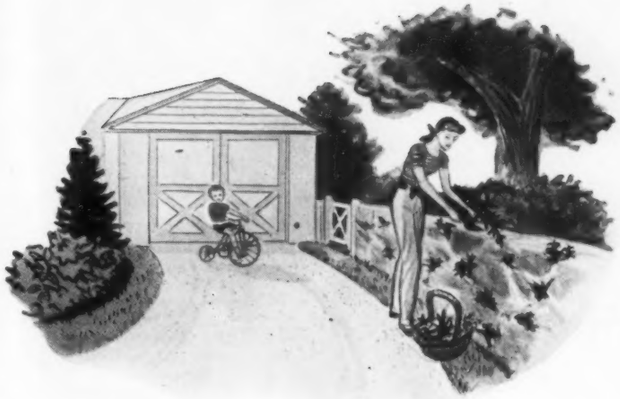
A bell on your gate is the equal of masses of thick shrubbery when you're taking a sun-bath. Such a bell will also warn you when your small people start to stray from their own play yard, and so save you hours of supervision and countless worry lines.

If you think it out, you can probably make your property, whatever its size, the most livable place on your street.

Pave shaded areas, where grass won't grow, for an easy chair, teeter-totter, swing, and baby pen. Unmortared brick, stone, and broken concrete can be used alone or in combination

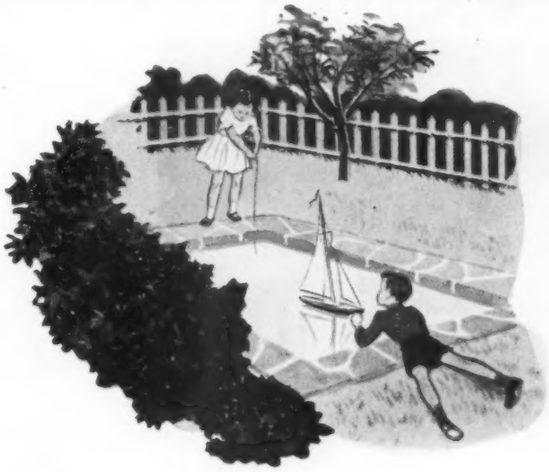
A good lawn can easily accommodate a portable clothes-drying reel once a week and then croquet and badminton the other six and a half days. Or practice your putting there

Cooking over a portable charcoal grill is fun for everybody. You'll do it often if you provide dry footing alongside the house for weatherproofed benches and a roomy outdoor table



Grow seasoning herbs—sage, thyme, basil for all tomato dishes, and savory in sunny parts of an unmortared retaining wall. To plant, wrap roots in wet moss, and insert on paddle

Combine your incinerator and barbecue. Build in the open for safety and place a screen over flue to trap sparks. Allow for woodpile, and elbowroom for a hungry gang of at least eight



A wading pool should lie in full sun, have a flat rim, and water 9 to 12 inches deep. Later, potted plants at corners and a lining of blue enamel will transform it to a fish and lily pool

Archery and ringtoss devotees, and horseshoe pitchers of all ages, can make use of even narrow strips of lawn. For those 6 and under, devote such a strip to a long slide or teeterboard

Often a driveway can serve for shuffleboard and deck tennis as well as the fold-away drying reel on Mondays. Provide a plug for the ground socket when the clothes reel is not in use

BEFORE—This dingy attic space, cluttered with debris and cut in half by a free-standing chimney, was converted into a comfortable apartment for two, making use of a large waste area

AFTER—The gable end of the living-sleeping area has built-in bookshelves and a window seat that doubles as a storage chest. Full headroom is provided in the closets. Bunks with innerspring mattresses are tucked under the eaves beside handy shelves

A built-in secretary, concealing the chimney, makes a compact, decorative piece of furniture. Adjoining side holds a dinette china cupboard

Richard Averill Smith

Dinette table, benches are movable to permit access to storage space beneath the eaves. A radio is hidden behind the low cupboard door

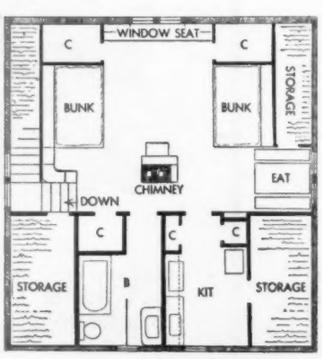
No Place to Live

By Virginia Davis

A dreary attic, given a thoro going-over, proves a satisfying answer to the housing problem

A CRITICAL inspection of unused attic space, in the light of present housing conditions, gave the Richard Schillers, of Port Washington, New York, an idea. They put the idea to work, and the result is pictured on this page—a charming apartment. It is now occupied by two adult daughters, but similar treatment of waste attic space could provide the answer to the housing problem of many a couple with ingenious ideas for remodeling.

Built-ins add to the air of spacious, uncluttered comfort. Most partitions are merely indicated—the chimney back suggests a hall, bookshelves set against the stair well double for walls, and a bunk divides living and dining areas. This expedient conserves precious light and air, and makes the most of limited space.



Kitchen and bathroom are complete and efficient. Kitchen cupboards above sink and range are set flush with the grocery-supply closet; opposite are refrigerator, dish closet, and space near the window for a table.

Abundant storage space is provided. There's even room for low trunks under the eaves beside kitchen and bathroom.

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Symphony of Spring

IT'S the *merry, merry month of May*—high time to change to springtime meals!

Spring's leaving you a May market basket that makes meal-getting new and exciting—crisp, ruby radishes, tender spears of asparagus, tangy rhubarb, young onions, frilly leaf lettuce, the first strawberries.

Not only is fresh garden produce more fun to fix, it's full of vitamins and minerals to keep the family peppy. Serve vegetables cool and garden-fresh, or cook them quickly in only a little water to save their bright color, delightful flavor, and all the precious food value.

Spot the new tricks in the picture opposite? Snow's gone and spring's here, but look at the snowballs you can make. We tell you the secret of the fancy franks on the big platter and promise you'll have everyone in the kitchen watching the goings-on.

Try the meals below. They look so good, taste so good—they're in swing with *spring!*

Spring Splendor

MAIN DISH	VEGETABLE	SALAD OR ACCOMPANIMENT	DESSERT	NICE TO SERVE
1 Broiled Lamb Chops	Carrot Halves New Peas	Fresh Spinach Salad Giant Popovers*	**2** Snowballs* Custard Sauce With Maple Sirup	Mint Jelly

Juicy, crisp-edged lamb chops, garden vegetables, giant popovers, and a heavenly dessert make this a meal to remember. Airy snowballs are delicately flavored with lemon, served with rich, smooth, custard sauce, a drizzle of maple sirup. Simple to make and a nice dessert service at the table. You also can serve each snowball individually on its own pretty plate or saucedish.

May Day

3 Eggs in Ramekins	Asparagus Spears With Bacon Strips	Carrot Curls— Radish Rosettes on Parsley Sour Cream Muffins*	Rosy Rhubarb Pie* Hot Coffee	Strawberry Jam

Simple, but delicious! Place 1 tablespoon cream in greased ramekin, slip in the egg, season, cover with butter-browned mushrooms. Bake until set, about 20 minutes at 325°. Top with a round slice of cheese; let melt with oven turned off. With this recipe for muffins, you'll know what to do with that sour cream. You'll like their good flavor, tenderness, and crusty tops.

Flavor-Right

4 Ham Loaf* Horse-radish Sauce Pickle Fan	Parsleyed New Potatoes	Pineapple Slices and Strawberries on Leaf Lettuce	Fluffy White Cake Lemon Filling White Icing	Green Onions

Eye-appealing, taste-satisfying, this ham-loaf dinner's the "hit of the week"! For zippy sauce, fold 3 tablespoons drained horse-radish into ½ cup cream, whipped with ½ teaspoon salt. Slice pickle almost thru lengthwise, then fan out for a garnish. Use the first precious strawberries in the salad to get the very most from their springlike taste and delightful color contrast.

Franks Go Fancy

5 Frankfurter Crown	New Potatoes and Peas in Cream Sauce	Sliced Tomatoes Buttered Carrots Parkerhouse Rolls	Strawberry Cream Pie*	Crisp Celery

Frankfurters form crown to hold creamed new potatoes and peas in this complete spring platter dinner. Slit frankfurters lengthwise (not entirely thru), then slit each half lengthwise (not entirely thru); fry in hot, deep fat. Watch them turn inside out! Fasten with toothpicks to make crown. A new idea—easy and fun. Pretty up the platter with tomato slices and slim, young carrots.

Mmm-m!

Fried Spring Chicken	New Potatoes With Chives Asparagus Mock Hollandaise Sauce*	Old-Fashioned Perfection Salad Golden Corn Muffins	Fruit-Filled Angel Cake*	Hot Coffee

A creamy, lemon sauce adds extra goodness to the asparagus. Cook new potatoes in jackets, peel, toss with melted butter, minced chives, seasonings. Use a quick packaged mix for the muffins. Dessert's gorgeous to look at, luscious with diced pineapple, slices of red strawberries, crunchy nut meats, and whipped cream. Save some of the berries with hulls on for top.

Party Idea

Curried Veal and Celery* on Chow Mein Noodles	Buttered Fresh Green Vegetables	Jellied Cucumber-Pineapple Salad* Hot Rolls	Strawberry Shortcake Whipped Cream	Radishes Ripe Olives

This is one for the bridge club. Radishes and ripe olives tucked in parsley add sparkle. The curry taste is very mild, so don't hesitate! Dessert's fresh flavor is just the right finish. Cake or biscuit type, your choice, but lots of big berries and cream are a must. Wash berries, then hull to keep flavor. Sugar, let stand about two hours in refrigerator. Serve with lots of whipped cream.

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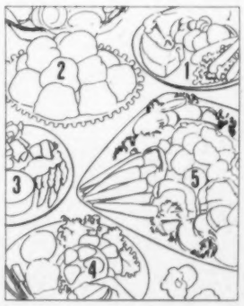

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That Added Touch—in a Hurry

By Myrna Johnston

YOU haven't time for those fussy garnishes that take all day? We've grumbled about 'em, too! So we've rounded up some ideas that are quick and easy, but still give food an extra flair.

It may only be a new angle on the platter for a roast, a ruffle of spring lettuce to set off a salad, a perky sprig of cress or parsley—but whatever your finishing touch may be, make it just as good to eat as it is to look at!

Here are 11 everyday dishes—ranging from soup and fish to ice cream and cake—that have been taken from the ranks of ordinary foods and placed in a best-dressed class. The transformations were accomplished with simple additions of contrasting colors and textures—different flavors.

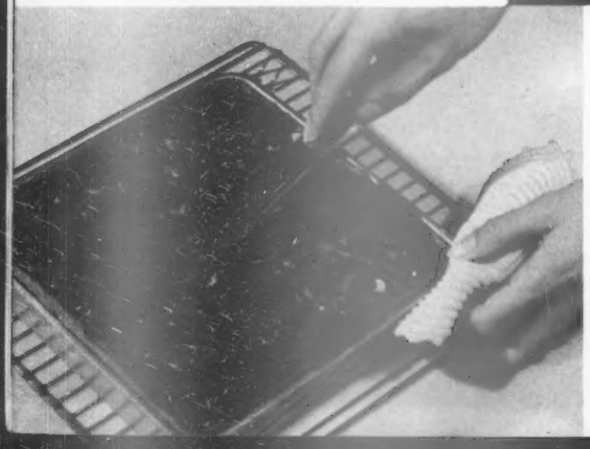
Results: quick, new eye- and taste-appeal.

Cheese-crowned fruit salads are ➡ pear halves stuffed with prunes and sprinkled with walnut meats and grated, mild American cheese. Grate the cheese lightly for a fluffy look, then use a fork to lift the frilly cheese curls onto the salads

⬅ **Egg daisies** are pretty trim for tuna, salmon, or chicken salad. Slices of hard-cooked egg radiate from a center which is half an egg yolk. Sieved egg yolk also could form the flower centers. Hard-cook the eggs at a low temperature for tenderness

June berry slices spooned upon ➡ snowy-white cottage cheese are a favorite of our Canadian neighbors. Rich, thick cream is poured on top; whole berries garnish each end. Leave vivid green stems on the whole berries for a fresh-from-the-patch look that brightens the dish

Crushed peanut brittle is a tasty ➡ topper for chocolate, vanilla, or butterscotch sundaes. The crisp bites of candy flavor go well with mellow ice cream,. also taste good with puddings. Crush the peanut brittle on waxed paper with rolling pin, or put thru food grinder

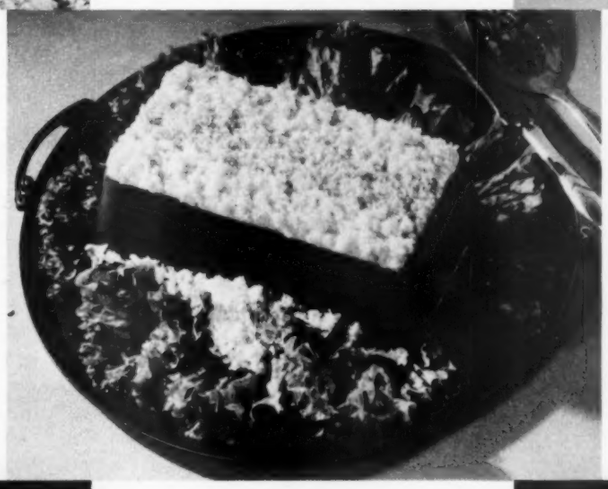


⬅ **Lazy Mary frosting** is a quick-as-a-wink addition while cake is hot from the oven. Just sprinkle with chipped bar or bits of semi-sweet chocolate, slip it back in the oven (the heat's off) until soft. Then swish chocolate with a spatula to make a smooth topping. That's a fast one for such rich goodness

Quick and easy finishing touches to make plates and platters pretty. They're not fussy, but they're all tasty. The family will still know it's Mom's cooking!

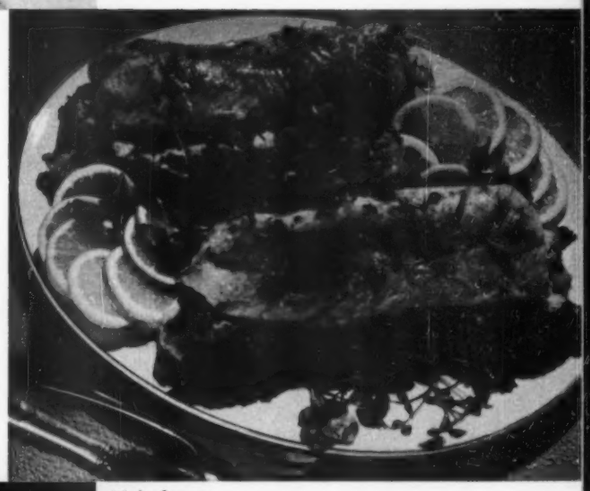
Candy bar cuts make a cottage ➔ pudding something special. Place a couple of slices on each cake square, cover with luscious butterscotch sauce. Creamy chocolate and caramel, crunchy nuts, and tender cake—*there's* a dessert for you and your guests

← **Frankfurter floats** add nip and color to handy, canned or packaged soups. Brown slices quickly in a little fat and place sizzling hot in the soup just before serving. Pass toasted bun halves and a tangy fruit or vegetable salad for a good-and-quick complete meal



← **Gold-and-white crest** for a mold of ruby tomato aspic they'll eat and remember! Spread the loaf top with salad dressing; mark in thirds. Hold a wide spatula or cardboard on the lines and sprinkle outer thirds with sieved hard-cooked egg whites, the center strip with sieved golden yolks. Salt lightly, serve on crisp lettuce

Sprigs of water cress and juicy ➔ lemon slices—one for each serving—change an everyday fish platter into a sea-food beauty. Both lemons and water cress are year-round, healthful glamorizers, give a new fresh flavor to meats and garden vegetables



Wesley Bowman

← **Broiled tomato halves** add the right touch of color to a platter of puffy omelet. The piquant tomato flavor and meaty texture make delicious eating with the bland and airy omelet. If there's no time for broiling, serve the juicy slices raw

← **Cherry gelatine cubes** shimmer on smooth yellow custard or pudding. Pour the flavored gelatine ½-inch deep in pan, cut in squares when firm, lift cubes with a spatula. You also can use polka dots of canned cranberry sauce or grape jelly for a colorful garnish

Here Are the 1946 Refrigerators

By Helen Homer

Fourth in a series of Better Homes & Gardens Better Buy Guides: washers and dryers, February; home freezers, March; irons and ironers, April

TO GET refrigerators to you quickly, many manufacturers have brought out models that are almost the same as their prewar designs. Often, however, there are hidden changes on the inside. Lessons learned in the manufacture of war equipment have been applied to refrigerator production. Sometimes it's highest precision building, sometimes refinement of detail or type of material used. But whatever the new models or changes, they're designed to give you better value, greater usability, lower operating cost—all of which spell economy for you.

Easy to Clean

You'll be delighted with the classic simplicity of the new refrigerators. Designers have worked as hard on style, line, and proportion as on the precision engineering. There are no curlicues to slow down a quick slick-up. New finishes are made to stay white, and promise to be chip- and crack-proof. Door handles and hinges meet aesthetic requirements as well as efficiency standards. Easy to keep clean inside and outside, 1946's refrigerators will fit handsomely into your kitchen. Best of all, they're quiet workers.

Cabinets

Many models have an outer shell of heavy-gauge steel welded in one piece, with an inner shell made from a single piece of porcelain-enameled steel. This means smoother, rounded corners, hence easier cleaning. The floor of the refrigerator may be an acid-resistant porcelain that withstands spill-overs and will not be permanently marred by acid foods.

If you're told that the cabinet is bonderized, feel assured of extra protection against rust. Bonderization is a process which helps hold enamel paint or liquid plastic to steel, making it rust-resistant.

The better the insulation, the better the refrigerator. Insulation, sealed into the door and between the cabinet's inner and outer shells, prevents the vapor that ordinarily results when there are sharp contrasts between inside and outside temperatures. You may want to ask your dealer about the merits of various types of insulation. Time was when cork was the stand-by. Now fiber glass, glass wool, plastic, and specially treated paper are used to insulate the cabinets. Doors usually have a rubber strip or composition gasket which forms a seal when the box is closed.

An average family opens and closes its refrigerator about 50 times a day. It pays to check door openings to see that they're quick, easy, and dependable. One manufacturer features an elbow-touch door, another a model that is finger-tip controlled—just a touch and the door opens.

See that your refrigerator is correctly placed in your kitchen, with an eye to ventilation requirements. If possible, have a counter placed on the handle side of the door to hold items going to or from the refrigerator; it will cut down on door opening and operating cost. Some manufacturers offer right or left opening refrigerators.

Consider a Larger Size

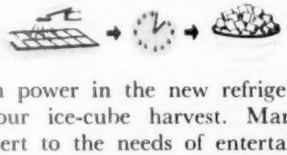
Whether ice, gas, or electric, your refrigerator gives your living and eating standards a boost. It guards your family's health, allows wide mealtime variety, makes shopping easy and entertaining fun.

Now that mass production gives us big, roomy refrigerators at less original and operating costs, consider an adequate size. How often do you shop? What are your family's eating habits? How much do you entertain?

Allowing almost two cubic feet for each person in your family will pay dividends in lower operating costs for your refrigerator. Less-crowded shelves mean better circulation, better food storage at less cost.

Most manufacturers are starting with a seven-cubic-foot refrigerator as their smallest model. Depending upon shelf arrangement, this size will give you approximately 12 to 13 square feet of shelf space. Base the size of your new model on the capacity of your old refrigerator plus the extra space you've always wanted in midsummer melon season or for special occasions. And don't forget to consider the needed storage facilities for frozen foods.

Ice Cubes Galore



Hidden power in the new refrigerators boosts your ice-cube harvest. Manufacturers, alert to the needs of entertaining, have introduced models that will freeze cubes in one hour. Some refrigerators have the capacity to freeze from 9 to 12 pounds of ice (80 cubes are equal to about 8 pounds of ice, depending upon the cubes' size). Most trays hold about 2 pounds of ice.

There's easy take-out in one line with permanently-waxed trays. In other models you can remove one lone ice cube without disturbing any of the others. Some trays have fitted covers to facilitate quick, level stacking. Double-width and double-depth trays are available for storage, freezing or chilling desserts.

Two-Temperature Models

Some are being shown now; others are scheduled for arrival soon. Two manufacturers plan to show a refrigerator with two separate cabinet doors. One model has the upper cabinet as the freezer; the other has the freezer behind the lower door. In both, the regular storage unit is typical and roomy. The auxiliary cabinets can be used as home freezers or storage lockers.

Separate doors are an advantage. A constant zero temperature can be maintained in the freezing cabinet with little difficulty, because its door is not opened more than three or four times a day. This means lower operating costs, too.

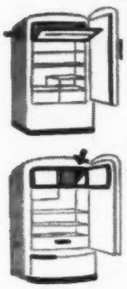
This type of freezing cabinet, with power to sharp freeze at 5 or 10 below zero, may be recommended for quick freezing. Find out what the manufacturer advises for the freezing load. Some of the freezing compartments are very roomy—one will house 130 pounds of meat or 80 quart packages of

fruits and vegetables. As an added plus, each compartment may have its own cooling unit, thus giving the refrigerator a primary and secondary system.

Wide Temperature Range

A temperature range in some cases from 10 degrees below zero to regular storage temperatures of 34 to 45 degrees will offer you special refrigeration for every food-storage requirement. Simpler defrosting arrangements are other new features you'll be glad to see. Defrosting of the regular food-storage unit never will be necessary in some models. Clever drain arrangements provide for water evaporation by the heat of the motor, thus relieving you of the defrosting responsibility. In special zero or below-freezing compartments, you'll need to defrost only a few times a year. Temperature controls are conveniently located.

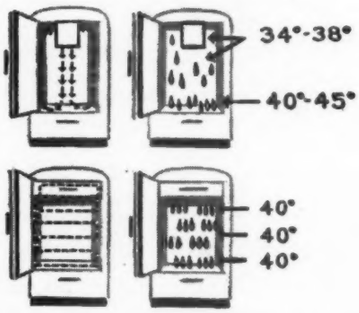
For Frozen Foods



In some models regular ice-cube-freezing units have been extended from wall to wall to make roomy compartments for storing food already frozen. Some of these cabinets have two doors that swing out; others have a tilt-down door.

Usually about one-third larger than prewar freezing units, the frozen-food compartments run in size from 10-pound to 80-pound capacity. These areas will maintain constant temperatures of around zero or below. Altho you can use such compartments for occasional freezing jobs in limited amounts, the manufacturers have planned them for use as holding cabinets. In them, you can freeze extra fish when the catch is good, or ice cream in your favorite oversize container. You also will use these areas for freezing ice cubes and frozen desserts.

Controlled Humidity

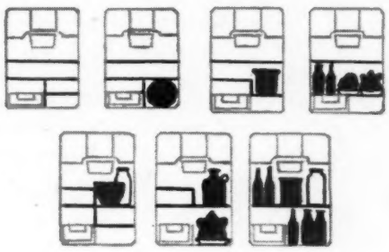


Made by building coils into the refrigerator walls, controlled-humidity compartments provide constant temperatures. Foods do not need to be covered because air circulation is reduced to a minimum; they stay moist because there is little flow of air passing over them, and hence no exchange of food flavors. Expect to pay more for this added convenience.

One manufacturer, to guard health and retard food spoilage, has installed a special tubular lamp which produces germ-killing, ultraviolet rays.

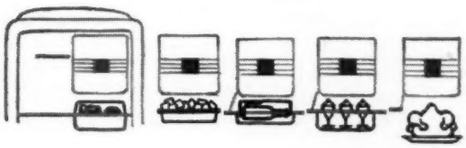
The new refrigerators offer quick, dry cold for fast freezing, moist cold for general storage, and extra-moist or high-humidity for fruits and vegetables. In modern ice refrigerators, you will find temperatures constant even tho the ice has run low. Engineers have designed interiors to guide the air current so that it conserves the cold.

Keynote: Flexibility

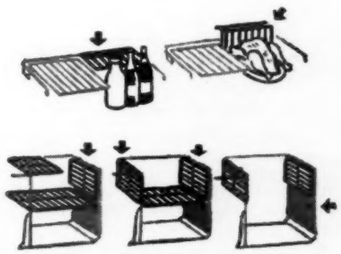


Flexibility and accessibility are the convenient keynotes of modern refrigerators, some of which have as many as a dozen different ways to convert interior arrangements. If you have one of these flexible interiors in your model, clip and tape the plan sheet in a see-able place to remind you of your refrigerator's possibilities. Check shelf planning to answer your special storage problems; find out what provisions have been made for chilling such extras as big turkeys, jumbo watermelons, or big pickings of garden produce.

Meat Storage



If that space below the freezing unit is much used in your meal making, you'll want to check its flexibility. Some manufacturers offer half a dozen quick changes of heights, and shift shallow and deep containers for special duties. In addition to using the big, roomy meat-keepers for (a) meat storage, use them (b) to store ice cubes, (c) to chill beverages, (d) to make desserts. Or remove the pan and use the entire space for storing bulky items.

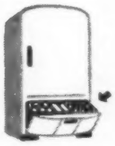


Hinged half shelves make it possible to fold them down, or in some models back, and quickly provide space for odd-shaped, tall, or bulky articles.

In some models, the freezing unit has been moved slightly toward one wall. This creates room for eight square, quart milk bottles on the one side, an important consideration when there are children in the family and milk deliveries are curtailed. The narrow space on the other side of the freezing unit is custom-built for tall beverage bottles and large cans of fruit juice. Step-down shelf allows more headroom for bottles.

Narrow shelves on the inside of some refrigerator doors put small items and fruits at your finger tips, thus increasing accessibility and saving the main storage space for larger articles. One line has a separate swinging storage door within the door of the cabinet.

Dry Storage



Most refrigerators, making use of every inch of storage space, have a bin at the cabinet's base. Altho unrefrigerated, such bins are handy for supplies of canned fruits or beverages ready for chilling. The area is usually too warm for vegetables unless it has been insulated for root vegetable storage.

Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Storage

A high-humidity storage spot for vegetables and fruits is important in keeping salad greens crisp and vitamins intact.

A glass shelf usually forms the cover of a crisper pan. The drawer itself may be stainless porcelain or aluminum, and may glide out smoothly on rollers. The important thing is to get enough depth for large heads of lettuce or other greens.

Three different types of arrangement are offered: (a) a single or twin-drawer compartment with one side for fruits, the other for vegetables, (b) a roomy, wall-to-wall drawer that enables you to take inventory at a glance, (c) a glass, double-door compartment with glass shelves. It is cooled by in-the-wall coils which aid in maintaining and controlling moisture.

Compressors

The compressor is the "heart" which makes your refrigerator cold. A good compressor, properly attended to, is essential to good operation. Usually these motors, housed in the cabinet, are hermetically or otherwise sealed so that you'll never need to oil them. Be sure to check this point.

Buy With Confidence

The manufacturers of most refrigerators being offered have old-line names in the field. There also [*Turn to page 106*

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Is Your Boy or Girl Rebellious?

By Louis E. Bisch, M.D., Ph.D.

During 34 years of practice, Doctor Bisch, neuropsychiatrist and author of "Your Nerves," has encountered hundreds of cases of difficult and problem children. This article was written in answer to distraught fathers and mothers who consult him, declaring they can't understand what's come over Tom or Mary to make him or her so suddenly hateful

IT'S a blow that never fails to strike. The first time your hitherto loving and adoring child talks back and definitely shows antagonism, something grips at your heartstrings—and it hurts.

The truth of this impressed me most forcibly last winter when I happened to be at a ranch deep in the Arizona desert, with the nearest habitation 20 miles distant. On a peaceful Sunday morning, the hysterical screams arising from the cottage occupied by a young married woman and her 4-year-old daughter seemed so intense and discordant that I stopped at the door to inquire what was the matter.

There stood Evelyn in the middle of the room, clad only in cowboy boots and underwear, shouting as loudly as she could, "I won't! I won't!" and jumping up and down. Tossed about were articles of clothing that evidently comprised Evelyn's best Sunday outfit.

Because she was desperately clinging to a brightly colored wool shirt and blue overalls, it was evident that what she was insisting upon wearing was causing all the trouble.

"Where's Mummy, Evelyn?" I asked quietly, without mentioning her tantrum and with the purpose of distracting her. "Would you mind telling Mother I'd like to see her?"

Evelyn was surprised; she stopped crying instantly, looking at me in a puzzled fashion rather than as if startled or afraid. Then, suddenly, she dropped the ranch outfit, grabbed her silk dress, and ran into a rear room.

Since Evelyn's mother failed to appear, I investigated. I found her lying on the bathroom floor in a dead faint.

Not every mother takes her son's or daughter's disobedience as hard as Mrs. W. did. All mothers and fathers, however, suffer to greater or lesser degree when their own children show the beginning signs of resistance and the will to be independent. Altho it is a natural—even desirable—developmental process, a lump arises in your throat.

Nor are the first signs of such rebelliousness the end of it! Once it has started, it bobs up again and again thru the years. Indeed, adolescents usually give far more trouble than preadolescents or younger children. By that time, however, you have come to learn your child's character, and you know what to expect.

First Signs Upset You

It's the beginning that upsets you most—when your otherwise trusting, sweet, and lovable darling turns against you, and you feel with a sickening sense of frustration that you don't understand your own flesh and blood after all.

Later, when you get into your stride, there are balancing factors. You're interested in observing your child's reactions to your teachings, which are modified as time goes on. Your pride and ego increase as you face your problem and finally solve it.

Here's the point, really! Try not to be overwhelmed or dismayed when the inevitable occurs. *Expect* it.

Such a sensible attitude not only will save you misgivings, hurts, self-accusations, but will tend to reduce your child's antagonisms to a minimum.

If Wilbur, at 7, calls you goofy, ask him quietly where he heard the word, what it means to him, why he applies it to you. Don't scold him or tell him he should be ashamed of himself or burst into tears. Once you discover what goofy signifies in his immature mind and why he feels justified in applying it to you, it will be easy for you to point out that it was needless and foolish for him to show such disrespect.

If Flora, at 17, doesn't return from a party at the time you set, realize that she is growing up, testing out her self-reliance and independence. Undoubtedly she has been worrying herself half sick, wondering whether or not she should disobey and what effect it will have upon you if she does.

In instances of this kind—common denominator to all girls—explain that her rebelliousness, whatever its nature, is a normal and proper development. Don't think that she's a lost soul if she tries to circumvent your authority and surveillance.

Husbands and wives should have the same understanding of this problem. Talk it over quietly, revealing neither emotion nor alarm.

The wife can undoubtedly explain that she knows what a struggle the daughter is going thru, that the years from 16 to 20 are trying ones centered principally around romance and love, which in turn are associated closely with emancipation from the home.

The same goes for boys—at times they feel bold and defiant; at others, timid and afraid. Physiological changes within the organic self have their repercussions in the mental and emotional spheres. Adolescence is a period normally and characteristically full of turmoil, doubt, and uncertainty.

You came thru all right. That's why you're understanding and not worried. Tell that to your adolescent girl or boy and you'll be surprised how much their antagonisms will disappear.

Pubertal Years Are Trying

The ages of 13 and 14 are trying ones for parents. These are their children's pubertal years, when endocrine glands, hitherto relatively dormant, begin to function in earnest. Parents, particularly mothers, often do not recognize their children as their own during these periods.

Remember that after puberty both girls and boys actually are able to reproduce their own kind. They can become mothers and fathers—and often do in India and other Far Eastern countries. With such powerful forces and urges nagging inside, it stands to reason that behavior reactions to [*Turn to page 52*

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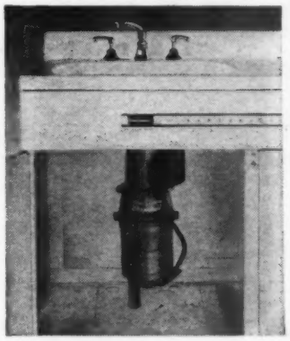

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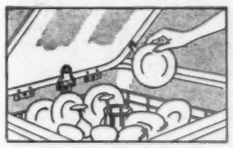
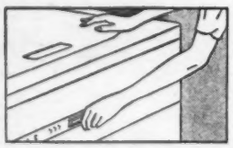
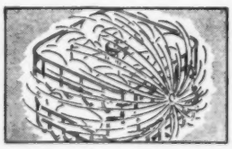


Load dishes and put in detergent.

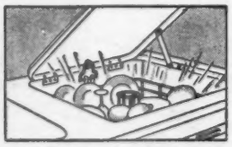


Close cover and touch a control. Now *you're* through!



Water swirls in around safely racked dishes to rinse and warm them.

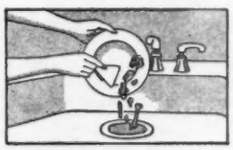
Dishes thoroughly washed by fresh hot water and detergent. Dishwater drains out.



Dishes are thoroughly rinsed, then cover opens automatically. Dishes dry in their own heat

The Dishwasher washes itself clean every time it is used.

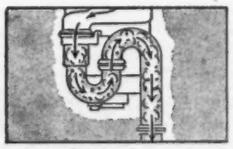
HOW THE DISPOSALL WORKS!



Scrape food waste down the drain.

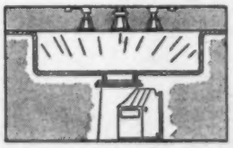
Lock cover, with a single twist.

Turning on cold water automatically starts Disposall motor.



Food waste is grated and water flushes it down the drain.

Turn off cold water and motor stops. Fits into practically any sink.



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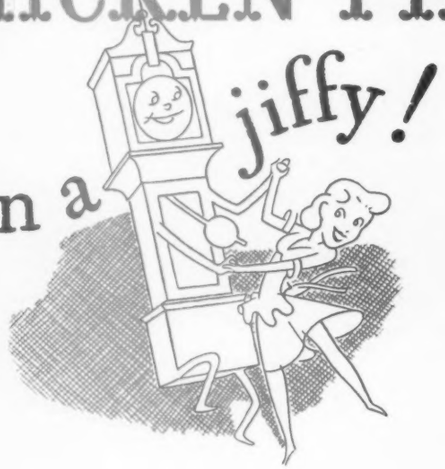

Golden-Crusted Chicken Pie, Rich Chicken Gravy And Many Other Favorites Are Extra Luscious—Extra Easy To Fix—Made With Heinz Chicken Noodle Soup, Brimming With Homemade Egg Noodles And Tender Bits of Chicken!

RECIPE—Combine an 11-oz. tin Heinz Chicken Noodle Soup, undiluted, with 4 tsp. flour and heat, stirring until thick. Add ½ cup cooked peas, ¼ cup sliced cooked mushrooms, ¼ cup diced cooked carrots. Fill 2 casseroles, each 3 inches in diameter, with the mixture. Prepare pastry for one pie shell. Divide dough in half—roll each piece to ⅛-inch thickness. Cover each casserole with pastry. Bake in very hot oven (450° F) 15 minutes. Serves 2.

There's nourishment and luscious flavor in every bowlful of home-tasting Heinz Chicken Noodle Soup—now condensed. By adding one tin of water to one tin of soup, you get four portions of delicious soup.

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SOUP

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Top-o'-the-Range Omelet

By Kathryn Bele Niles

SPRINGTIME is omelet time; May, a month for splurging with egg treats. Here is an omelet that will cook while you're setting the table and tossing a salad. Don't bother to brown it in the oven. Prepare it this top-o'-the-range way. Fold its golden edges together, slip it on a warm platter, surround it with crisp bacon slices, slim sausages, onion rings, or bits of green; top it with your favorite cheese or tomato sauce. Toss vegetables with dressing or oil in a garlic-rubbed bowl and serve with Vienna rolls. You'll have a company-special supper!

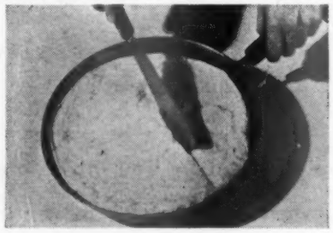
This puffy omelet, piping-hot from the skillet, is made extra special by sprigs of water cress and a ladle of tangy, hot cheese sauce, seasoned with a teaspoon of grated onion, butter browned.

Here's How to Do It:

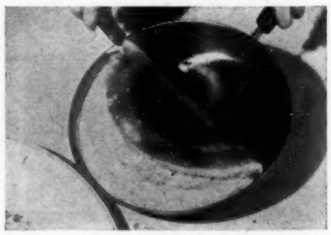
1. Separate 4 eggs. Add ½ teaspoon salt and ¼ cup water to the whites, whip with electric mixer or rotary beater until stiff but not dry. To the 4 egg yolks add a dash of pepper and 2 tablespoons enriched flour, beat until light and thick. Fold beaten yolks lightly into the whites with wire whisk. Handle gently.

2. Heat 2 tablespoons fat in 10-inch skillet until drop of water sizzles in the pan. Pour in egg mixture, reduce heat, put lid on skillet, and cook slowly for from 5 to 8 minutes until a golden puff. Remove cover and continue cooking about 20 minutes, until a knife inserted comes out clean. Keep heat very low.

Wesley Bowman



3. Have the platter hot and ready. Hold skillet handle in left hand and manipulate spatula in the right. Cut halfway thru omelet slightly above center and at a right angle to pan's handle, forming the crease for folding. Loosen edges by running spatula around omelet. Now you are ready for folding with finesse.



4. Ease spatula under part of the omelet nearest handle, and tip pan to a nearly vertical position. By carefully coaxing omelet with spatula, fold upper half over lower without breaking. Slip onto hot platter, add crisp water cress or parsley and hot, cheese sauce. Serve immediately to waiting gourmets. Enough for 4.

What to do . . .
IF YOU NEED A NEW MATTRESS

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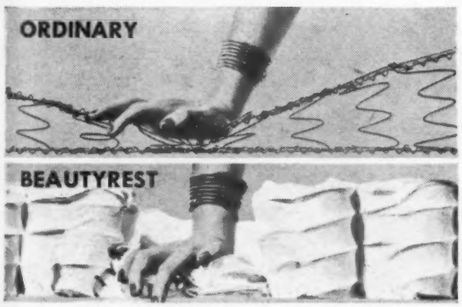

2. "Inside Story" comparison! It's what's *inside* that counts! In the ordinary inner-spring mattress, coil springs are *tied together, go down together,* forming hollows.

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Is Your Boy or Girl Rebellious?

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parents can approach the shocking. Which brings to mind the case of a girl, 13, who turned—"overnight," the mother said—from a kind, gentle, cooperative child to a spiteful and vicious girl.

On one occasion, when her mother reprimanded her for not washing the luncheon dishes as she had promised, she kicked her mother in the shins and ran out of the kitchen. Another time, when company was present and her mother praised her by saying she played the piano nicely, the girl called her mother a liar.

THEN there was a boy of 11 who, when the family moved to another neighborhood, became defiant at home, refused to run errands, used insulting language to both his father and mother, and began striking his younger sisters on the slightest provocation. He was sent to me for diagnosis.

He was suspected of being mentally defective, or at least of developing delinquent tendencies. Neither was correct. He was simply a preadolescent struggling with himself, not knowing that he was passing thru a natural process of evolution, not realizing that his antagonism toward his family was neither genuine nor fundamental, but merely the reflection of his inner emotional conflicts.

"I had it all planned to run away from home," he confessed.

"Did you think that in this way you could run away from yourself?" I replied.

The boy didn't catch on at first, but all at once he understood. His face lighted up. "Gee, Doc," he said, "I get it." Then, after a pause, he added, "I love them all at home very much. Please tell them to be patient. I'll get over it."

HE WAS right. As the French saying goes, "It passes." Think of that when your children behave as tho they wished you were dead.

Opposite sexes attract; same sexes repel. Therefore, it's perfectly normal for a girl to be especially antagonistic toward her mother while a boy shows identical attitudes toward his father. Similar attitudes may appear in brother-sister relationships.

Oddly enough, parents don't seem to recognize these basic psychological facts. I hear them complaining and see them depressed when such perfectly natural antagonisms appear. "I thought a boy likes to be close to his father and that a father should be pals with his boy," protested a friend of mine recently. "And doesn't the same hold true for the mother-daughter relationship?"

IT DOES, but only to a degree. Love, affection, understanding—all are highly desirable where parental relationships to children of the same sex are concerned. However, they never should amount to strangle holds. Be close to your children, yes; but don't use love ties as a means of

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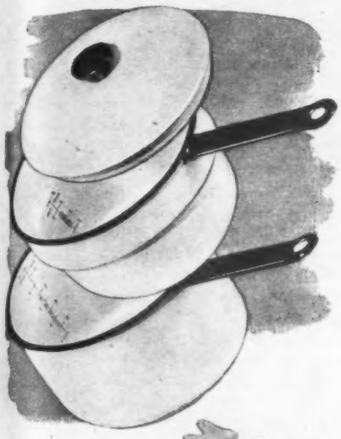

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thwarting individualism and self-reliance. Love, but love with understanding. The measure of your love will be conditioned by the degree to which your feelings are *not* hurt, the diplomatic way you handle each show of antagonism as your child struggles to free himself and become mature.

Boys Also Need Affection

Speaking of love reminds me that many mothers and fathers believe a boy doesn't need as much affection as a girl. Yet it's a mistake to try to toughen a male child by repressing his tenderness and feelings.

Boys, to be sure, vary in the amounts of emotion they possess. Yet all are far more emotional than one suspects. If an affectionate boy's feelings aren't extroverted, if they are drained off, so to speak, he is likely to become introverted, shut-in, seclusive, and even neurotic in later life.

Psychoanalyses of men who are self-conscious and fearful of the world often reveal such emotional repressions in childhood. Confirmed bachelors may be produced that way.

In fact, such isolated attitudes may produce fears of reality and people, convictions of inferiority, of being misunderstood, and of not belonging—attitudes that eventually make for failure in business as well as in the love life.

Be on guard, therefore, when your boy or girl begins to show antagonisms. Become neither alarmed nor dismayed. Even if it hurts, try not to show it.

I know how much you cherish those beginning years. But they *can't* last; they *shouldn't* last. No parent wants his or her children to *remain* ineffectual and immature.

By being patient and understanding that your boy or girl is growing up, you can help him or her develop a well-rounded personality.

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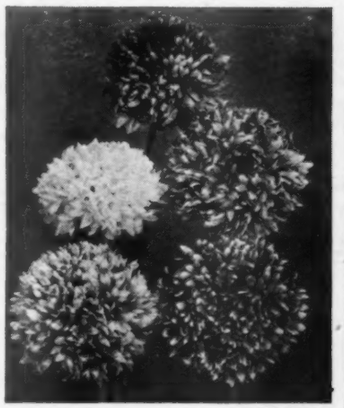

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YOU might try "Sunshine" annual gaillardias for that sunny location where other annuals wither in the summer. These gaillardias produce attractive double flowers in large numbers, colored from red with yellow tips to pure yellow. The plants reach to 2½ feet, the individual flowers nearly 3 inches across.

IN THE SPRING

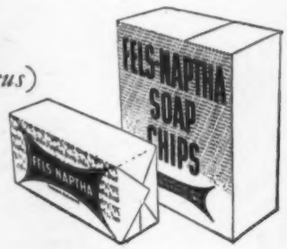
A YOUNG MAN'S FANCY

Ah, Spring! When birds are a-twitter . . .when the sap begins to run again (*no offense, Junior*) . . . and a fellow pops out of his cold weather covering like a butterfly from a cocoon!

Now's the time when harried mothers are more than ever grateful for Fels-Naptha Soap. With clean shirts in constant demand, it's a real relief to use this faster, gentler soap . . .

There's relief from endless hours in the laundry. Relief from ordinary washing wear on collars and cuffs. Not to mention relief from wear and tear on Mother's disposition.

Ah, Spring! Ah, Youth!
(*and from the ladies, in chorus*)
A-h-h-h, Fels-Naptha!



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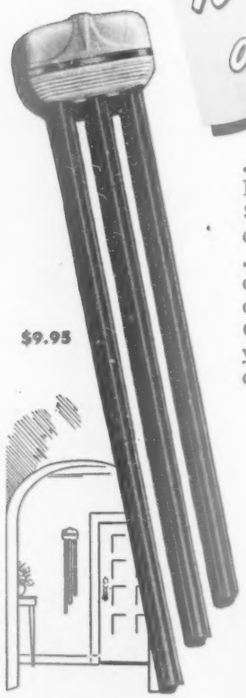

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Spring House-Cleaning Roundup

WITH the last speck of dust swept out of each corner, you'll want to add finishing touches to your home—slipcovers, drawer linings, knickknacks. Below we've listed little tricks of trimming, easy ways to keep your house looking starched and shining, that other house-cleaning homemakers have sent in to share with you. You'll find that day-to-day upkeep will prevent collection of grime, that pick-up-as-you-go habits will save on tedious scrubbing and back-breaking cleaning jobs.

FINISHING TRICKS

▶ If you have a shabby folding screen that you want to make new, try slipcovering it. Remove all hinges and take each section apart. Pull snug covers of cretonne over each section; replace the hinges.—H. P., Burlington, Iowa.

▶ Make a dog or cat "bar" by placing a tin tray under your pet's food and water dishes to catch drops of liquid and small particles of food. The tray can be painted to match your kitchen.—M. R., Excelsior, Minnesota.

▶ Before replacing clean blankets on your bed, make a small cross-stitch of colored thread in the exact center of each end. You can center the blanket instantly when changing and making the beds, and can reverse blankets to keep soil and wear even.—Mrs. C. G. F., Los Angeles, California.

▶ When you cut shelf paper to line drawers, cut for several drawers of the same size at once. Also put several thicknesses in each drawer so that when one is soiled, it may be removed to reveal a clean one already in place.—Miss M. O., Clarion, Iowa.

▶ Red nail polish makes a quick and efficient household sign paint. I have used it to label empty coffee cans for storing foodstuffs and to mark discarded bread boxes for Junior's toys. Polish remover takes it off quickly.—Mrs. H. F. F., Fort Wayne, Indiana.

▶ If an oiled-silk dish cover is slipped over the bottom of the pot of a hanging plant, it will catch drips when the plant is watered.—Mrs. W. R., Rochester, New York.

▶ Small strips of cellulose tape are a great help in keeping paper linings of drawers and shelves in place.—Mrs. H. C. H., Manhattan, Kansas.

▶ If a polished wooden bowl is just what you want for a flower arrangement, protect its finish by painting it with melted paraffin. Let it cool before using. To remove the film, wash it with warm, sudsy water, dry thoroly, and rub with clear oil.—H. V., Neshanic, New Jersey.

EASY UPKEEP

▶ With a piece of cellulose tape, I fasten a paper bag to the side of my sewing machine. As I snip threads and cut, I simply brush the scraps into the bag. When I'm thru, I roll it up and dispose of it, and no picking up is necessary.—Mrs. C. B. J., Cambridge, New York.

▶ On the bathtub ledge I keep scouring powder in a plastic container. It is handy for every person to use, yet in no way detracts from the attractiveness of the room.—Mrs. H. F., Vineland, New Jersey.

▶ To rid upholstery and rugs of dog and cat hair, wet a rubber sponge, squeeze out excess water, and rub over the surface. The hair rolls up in little balls.—Mrs. E. I. B., Redwood City, California.

▶ To keep metal wastebaskets and garbage containers clean and free from rust, melt paraffin and pour it into the pail, being sure to cover the sides and get a thick layer on the bottom. To clean the container, wipe with paper and rinse with cool water. An outside garbage can lasts longer, too, [*Turn to page 106*

3 Ways to Win 3 Cheers with *nothing but the Finest!*

If you know your Peas and Q's, you know there are actually three ways to get the *finest.* Stokely's *Finest* TASTY KING PEAS are the sweet, luscious, very large king size. Stokely's *Finest* HONEY POD PEAS are the sweet, wrinkled variety but of mixed sizes, just as they come from the pod. And Stokely's *Finest* PARTY PEAS are the tiny, uniform in size, tasty, early June variety. Each is clearly marked by a band around the Stokely's *Finest* label, for your shopping convenience. For a delightful variety, try all three.

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FEAST ON A PLANK

1 can Stokely's *Finest* Honey Pod Peas
1½ tablesp. butter or other shortening
1 tablesp. flour
¼ teasp. salt
Few grains pepper
2 tablesp. chopped fresh mint
2 tablesp. diced pimiento
2 lbs. sirloin steak
3 cups mashed potatoes

Drain peas; save liquid. Melt butter; blend in flour, salt and pepper. Stir in liquid; boil 2 min. Add peas, mint and pimiento; heat. Serve on heated plank with broiled steak and potatoes. Serves 4. To make the most of this feast, use only the *finest* peas . . . packed the same hour they're picked . . . Stokely's *Finest.*

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RECIPE FOR BREAD-SHELL SURPRISES

18 slices bread
1 can Stokely's *Finest* Party Peas
10½-oz. can cream of mushroom soup

Cut bread into rounds; place 6 in shallow pan. Cut centers out of remaining rounds. Stack 2 rings on each round. Bake in hot oven (425° F.) until lightly browned. Drain peas, saving ¼ cup liquid. Stir liquid into soup. Add peas; heat. Serve in shells. The secret of this mouth-watering dish is in those *finest* Party Peas, brimful of vitamins and minerals. So treat your family to *nothing but the finest* . . . Stokely's *Finest.*

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RECIPE FOR BREATH-OF-SPRING SALAD

1 can Stokely's *Finest* Tasty King Peas
3 tablesp. vinegar
1 teasp. salt
⅛ teasp. pepper
1 teasp. grated onion
1 package lemon-flavored gelatin
1 cup shredded cabbage
½ cup shredded carrot

Drain peas. Measure liquid, add water to make 1¾ cups. Heat to boiling with vinegar, salt, pepper and onion. Stir in gelatin. Chill until syrupy. Add vegetables. Put in oiled mold; chill. Serves 5 to 6. And remember, these large, tender peas were grown in the rich soil of selected gardens, to bring you *nothing but the finest* . . . Stokely's *Finest.*

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How to Fry Bacon Right: Place strips in cold frying pan over low heat and cook slowly, 7-8 minutes, turning often. Pour off fat as it accumulates. Perfectly cooked bacon is crisp, but not brittle, evenly cooked and only slightly curled.

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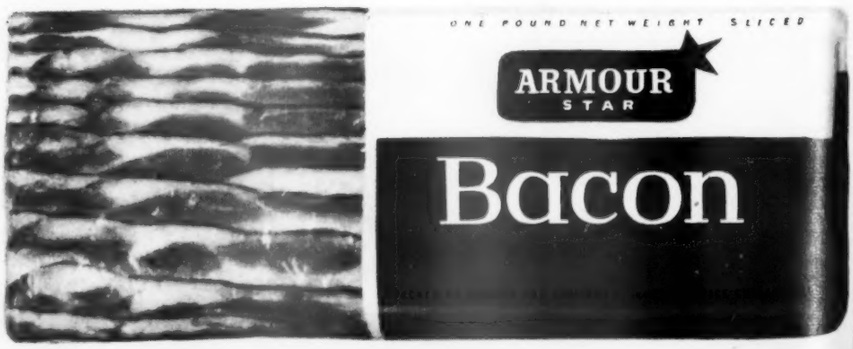
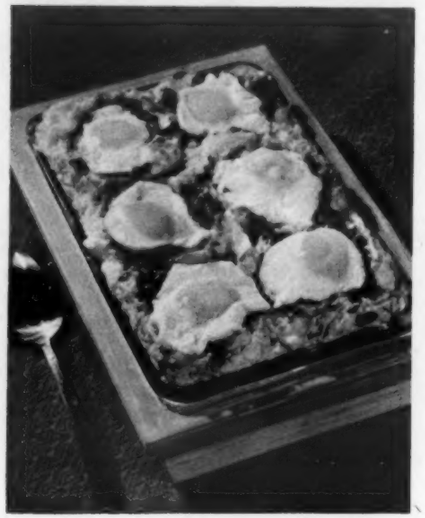


Eggs Scrambled With Rice

"A stick-to-the ribs, skillet-browned supper"—

6 eggs
½ cup light cream or top milk
⅓ cup grated American cheese
⅔ cup cooked rice
½ teaspoon salt
Pepper
¼ cup chopped onion
¼ cup butter or fortified margarine

Combine eggs and cream. Beat until foamy. Add cheese, rice, and seasonings. Cook onion in butter until golden. Add egg mixture. Cook over low heat until set, stirring frequently. Serves 6.—*Mrs. John Robertson, Rockport, Ill.*



Eggs en Casserole

"Eggs planted in wells of cheese-rich puff potatoes"—

4 cups hot, seasoned mashed potatoes
1 cup grated American cheese
6 teaspoons catsup
Worcestershire Sauce
6 eggs
Salt and pepper
¼ cup grated American cheese

Spread 2 cups mashed potatoes in greased, shallow baking dish. Sprinkle with 1 cup cheese. Add remaining potatoes. Make 6 depressions in potatoes; to each add 1 teaspoon catsup and a drop of Worcestershire sauce. Slip an egg into each depression. Salt and pepper. Bake in moderately slow oven (325°) until eggs are done, 30 to 35 minutes. Sprinkle with ¼ cup cheese; return to oven to melt cheese.—*Mrs. Philip M. Rothwell, Detroit, Mich.*

Scrambled Eggs—Honolulu Style

"A subtly-seasoned scramble with tidbit surprises for lunch or Sunday supper!"—

1 cup chopped green onions
⅔ cup canned mushrooms
2 tablespoons butter or fortified margarine
4 well-beaten eggs
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1 tablespoon soy sauce

Cook onions and mushrooms in butter until onion is golden. Add remaining ingredients. Cook over low heat until set, stirring frequently. Serves 4.—*Mrs. Robert J. Oxley, Honolulu, Hawaii.*

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Chicken a Brand New Way

A la King on Noodles

"Rich chicken ladled over noodle squares"—

¼ cup butter or fortified margarine
¼ cup enriched flour
1½ cups milk
½ cup light cream
Salt and pepper
2 cups diced chicken
½ cup chopped mushrooms
2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
2 slightly beaten egg yolks
1 tablespoon lemon juice

Melt butter; add flour; blend. Gradually add milk and cream; cook over low heat until smooth and thick, stirring constantly. Add seasonings, chicken, mushrooms, and pimiento. Heat thru. Add small amount hot mixture to egg yolks; add to remaining hot mixture. Cook 2 minutes. Add lemon juice. Serve over **Noodle Squares:** Cook 1 6-ounce package broad noodles in boiling, salted water until tender. Drain. Rinse with cold water. Add 1 tablespoon butter or fortified margarine, 1½ teaspoons salt, 3 slightly beaten eggs, and ⅓ cup light cream or top milk. Pour into greased 8-inch square pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°) until firm, about 45 minutes. Cut in squares. Serves 6.—*Lillian Snortum, Minneapolis, Minn.*

Chicken Croquettes

"With a surprise mushroom taste"—

- 3 tablespoons butter or fortified margarine
- 1/4 cup enriched flour
- 1 10½- or 11-ounce can condensed mushroom soup
- 1 cup water or chicken stock
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon mace
- 1 tablespoon minced parsley
- 1½ cups chopped cooked chicken

Melt butter; add flour; blend. Gradually add soup and water; cook over low heat until smooth and thick, stirring constantly. Add remaining ingredients. Chill. Form in croquettes. Dip in 1 slightly beaten egg mixed with 1 tablespoon water, then in fine, dry bread crumbs. Fry in deep hot fat (375°) until golden brown, 5 to 7 minutes. Serve with **Parsley Sauce:** Melt 2 tablespoons butter or fortified margarine; add 2 tablespoons enriched flour; blend. Gradually add ½ cup chicken stock and ½ cup light cream or top milk; cook over low heat until smooth and thick, stirring constantly. Add ¼ teaspoon paprika, ¼ cup minced parsley; season. Serves 6 to 8.—*Verna L. Hoagland, Shamokin, Pa.*

Chicken Braised in Barbecue Sauce

"Delicious. And no basting or watching"—

Cut a 3-pound chicken in serving pieces; coat with seasoned flour. Lightly brown in hot fat. Combine ¾ cup water, ¾ cup catsup, 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce, 2 tablespoons grated onion, 1 clove garlic, minced, and 1 tablespoon chopped parsley. Heat to boiling. Pour over chicken. Cover. Simmer tender, about 1 hour. Serves 4 to 6.—*Mrs. Alice Weaver, Santa Monica, Calif.*

Chicken Dinner in a Dish

"Just right for the ladies' luncheon"—

- 1 5-pound chicken, stewed
- 1 cup rice

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- 1/4 cup butter or fortified margarine
- 1/4 cup enriched flour
- 1 cup light cream or top milk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Pepper
- 1 cup canned mushrooms
- 1 cup chopped blanched almonds
- 3 canned pimientos, diced

Remove chicken meat from bones. Cook rice in 2 to 2½ cups chicken stock 15 minutes. Melt butter; add flour; blend. Gradually add cream; cook until smooth and thick, stirring constantly. Season. Arrange layers of chicken, cream sauce, mushrooms, almonds, pimientos, and rice-with-stock in greased 1½-quart casserole. Cover. Bake in moderate oven (375°) 1 hour.—*Ann Carlson, Chicago, Ill.*

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Egg Excellence

Savory Eggs

"Baking, no stirring, for fluffy eggs fragrant with mustard and cheese"—

- 1 cup grated American cheese
- 2 tablespoons butter or fortified margarine
- 1/2 cup cream
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- Pepper
- 1 teaspoon prepared mustard
- 6 slightly beaten eggs

Spread cheese in greased, *shallow* 8-inch round or square baking dish. Dot with butter. Combine cream, salt, pepper, and mustard. Pour half this mixture over cheese. Pour eggs into baking dish. Add remaining cream mixture. Bake in moderately slow oven (325°) until set, about 25 minutes. Serves 6.—*Mrs. Harry Rogers, West Allis, Wis.*

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From a Dozen Eggs

By Jessie Prather

Part I: Heavenly Angel Cake

(See Part II, Leftover Yolks? Lucky! page 62)

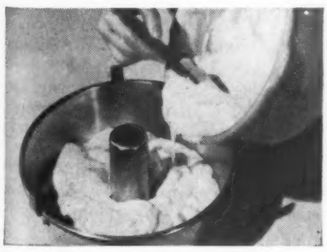
BRIDES' season and dainty spring luncheons mean angel-cake-baking time. For proud perfection on those special occasions, follow the six simple steps below. Then turn to page 62 for six appetizing ways to use the leftover yolks without a drop of waste. It's magic the way you can get so many good-to-eat things from a dozen eggs!

1. Separate about 12 eggs fresh from the refrigerator, allowing whites to drop into a pint measure until you have 1¾ cupfuls. Save the yolks. Cover with a little salted water or salad oil, in a jar with a tight cover until you're ready to use them for salad dressing, noodles, or custard.

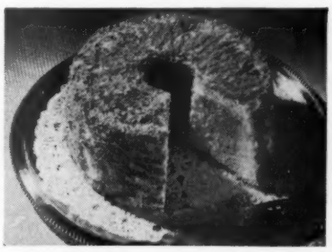
2. Beat whites, warmed to room temperature, with ¾ teaspoons salt until frothy. Add 1½ teaspoons cream of tartar, and continue beating until bubbles are small and white, but still shiny. Lifted on beater, points of whites should bend slightly. Tipped in bowl, mass flows slowly.

3. Measure and sift 1½ cups granulated sugar. Fold half into beaten whites, one tablespoon at a time, to dissolve sugar most thoroly. With the final spoonful, add 1 teaspoon vanilla extract. The meringue is now prepared to receive smoothly the flour and remaining half of the sugar.

4. Sift 1 cup cake flour four times with remaining ¾ cup of sugar. Fold a little of the flour-sugar mixture at a time into the meringue, with a motion that brings the mass up from the bottom, over the top near the surface, and down the opposite side. Handle air-filled batter gently.



5. Fill a 10-inch, ungreased angel-cake pan, swiping bowl clean with spatula or rubber scraper. Bake in moderate oven (325°–350°) for 1 hour and 15 minutes. Invert the pan on its standards or a rack to cool, so that the air will circulate under the cake and prevent steaming.



6. Enjoy a truly heavenly angel cake with even fine texture, uniform volume, tender crumb, and light-golden crust free from sugary glaze. Handsome enough without frosting for your fanciest plate; with a swirl of snowy topping and a frill, it's fit for a king or his bride.

Vary the makings of your angel cake occasionally. Fold in ½ cup drained, chopped, red maraschino cherries, or reduce the cake flour to ¾ cup and add ¼ cup cocoa. *Sometimes vary your service.* Just before eating time, cut cake crosswise in two layers, fill and frost with whipped cream and toasted almonds. Or remove center with sharp knife, and fill with ice cream and fruit. Toss scooped pieces with Bavarian fluff.

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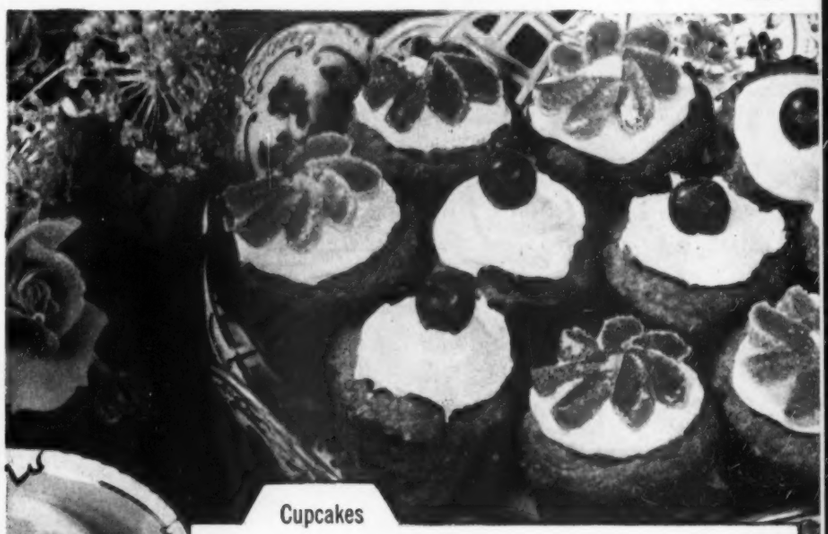

Cupcakes

NABISCO BRAN TEA CAKES

1 cup Nabisco 100% Bran
1 cup milk
¼ cup shortening
¼ cup orange marmalade
2 eggs
3 tsp. baking powder
1 cup sifted all-purpose flour
½ tsp. salt

Soak Nabisco 100% Bran in milk 5 min. Cream shortening and marmalade. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each. Add Bran mixture. Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Add to first mixture; stir only until well mixed. Fill *small-size* muffin pans ⅔ full. Bake in hot oven (425°F.) 15 min. Frost and add to each a colored candy. You'll have 24 to 28 gay tea cakes — dainty and fine as cupcakes! That's because they're made with Nabisco 100% Bran—*finer-milled* to make bran particles smaller — your tea cakes perfect! (Furnish important *diet-bulk,* too.)

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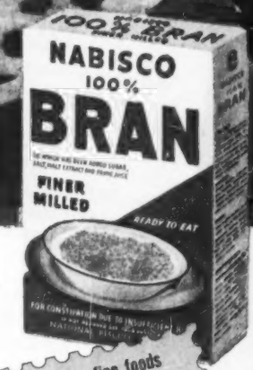

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From a Dozen Eggs

Part II: Leftover Yolks? Lucky!

(See Part I, Heavenly Angel Cake, page 61)

AFTER you've used the whites from a dozen eggs for angel cake, you still have enough egg-ammunition for a gold cake, a custard for six, and a pint of salad dressing. Or you can thicken scalloped dishes, enriched milk drinks. Keep yolks under a film of water until needed; drain, and measure out 1⅓ tablespoons for each yolk in a recipe.

1. Sieved Yolks—Poach yolks first. Just slip them into salted, almost boiling water in a shallow pan. Reduce heat and cover pan. Lift from water when firm, and put thru sieve for goldenrod topping on vegetables.

2. Vegetable Sauce—for spring asparagus spears, green-bean slivers, or new peas. Add 1 cup hot, medium white sauce to 3 slightly beaten yolks; blend in 3 tablespoons butter, a dash of prepared mustard, and 5 teaspoons lemon juice.

3. Egg Noodles—Sift 1 cup flour, ½ teaspoon salt; add to 2 beaten egg yolks and 2 tablespoons top milk; mix thoroly. Roll very thin on floured surface and let stand 20 minutes. Roll and slice into ⅛-inch strands to make 2 cups noodles. Dry 2 hours, and drop into boiling soup, meat stock, or salted water. Cook 10 minutes. Serves 4.

4. Custard—For soft custard, combine 4 beaten yolks, ¼ cup sugar, and ⅛ teaspoon salt; gradually stir in 2 cups hot milk. Cook in double boiler over hot, not boiling, water. Stir until mixture coats spoon. Add ½ teaspoon vanilla. Chill. Serve with strawberries and whipped cream. For baked custard, use 2 more yolks, follow favorite recipe.

5. Gold Cake—Cream ½ cup shortening with 1½ cups sugar. Add 5 beaten egg yolks, ½ teaspoon each of vanilla and lemon extract, and 1 teaspoon grated orange peel; beat fluffy. Sift together 2½ cups cake flour, ½ teaspoon salt, and 3 teaspoons baking powder. Add alternately with 1 cup milk. Bake in two 8-inch, layer-cake pans in moderate oven (350°) ½ hour. For a good filling, use packaged lemon pudding.

6. Salad Dressing — *For old-fashioned* kind, mix 2 tablespoons each of flour and sugar, 1 teaspoon each of salt and dry mustard, a dash of cayenne. Add 2 beaten yolks, ¾ cup milk; stir over hot water until thick. Blend in ¼ cup mild vinegar, and 1 tablespoon butter. Makes 1½ cups. Add cream to thin.

For cooked mayonnaise, make white sauce of ½ tablespoon butter, 2 tablespoons flour, and ½ cup water. Add ½ teaspoon each of salt and dry mustard with dash of paprika, 1 egg yolk, 1 tablespoon vinegar, ½ cup salad oil, and beat rapidly with rotary beater.

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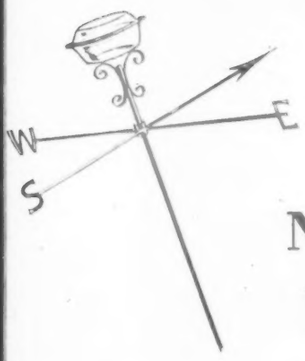

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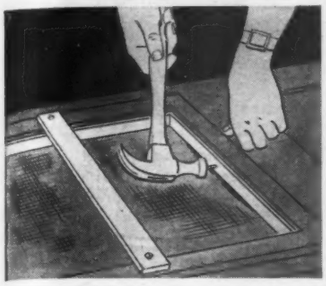
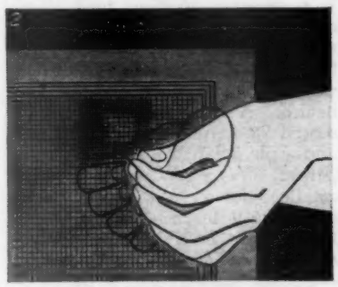
How to Repair Screens

By Walter E. Durbahn

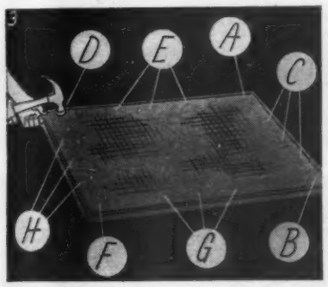
WINDOW and door screens demand attention. In a state of disrepair, they make the whole house seem shabby and unkempt. Yet a handy man can do most screen-maintenance jobs in odd moments, with few tools.

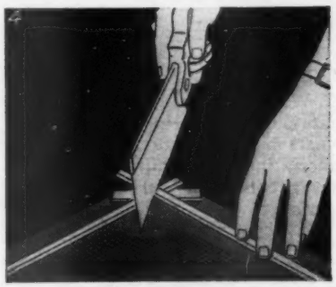




1. By frequently pushing against a door screen, children often pull the screen loose from the molding. It may be too short for renailing. The solution—extra strips of ¾ by ⅜-inch wood nailed to the inner edges of the frame. Pull screen into place with pliers and tack it to the added strips. A ⅜ by 1½-inch piece of wood will serve as a push-bar.

2. Small holes in screens can be repaired with a neat patch. Fasten patch in place by weaving a strand of wire around the edges.

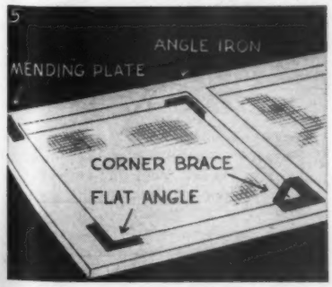


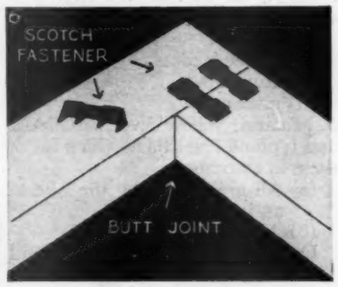


3. Badly torn or rusted screen should be replaced. After removing old wire, trim one end of new screen, cutting parallel with cross-strands to insure a square fit. Fasten new screen as sketched, beginning at corner A of trimmed end. Stretch wire and tack at corner B, then fasten top edge C. Pull wire into place and tack at corner D, then along edge E. Stretch wire diagonally and fasten corner F. On edge G, begin at the center and work both ways, then fasten edge H the same way.

4. Renail molding with 1-inch brads. If new molding is used, corner miters can be made to fit exactly by lapping strips, then sawing. A thin piece of wood under molding will prevent the saw from cutting the wire.

With molding in place, run a sharp pocketknife along the outer edge to trim away waste screen.





5. Corners of weakened frames can be reinforced with any one of several types of metal braces, including the four types shown in the sketch. The pressed-steel corner brace may be used to hold joints of a new frame.

6. Lumber dealers usually have screen stock from which new frames are made. Side, top, and center pieces are 1⅝ inches wide, and bottom rails are made of 3⅝-inch lumber. Side stiles extend the full length of the screen, with rails fitted between. Of various corner joints, the simplest is the butt-joint held with Scotch fasteners, as sketched. ***Turn to page 107***

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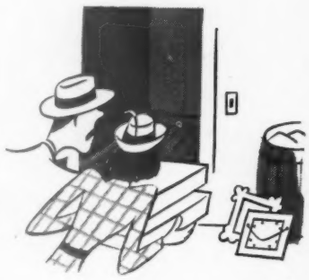
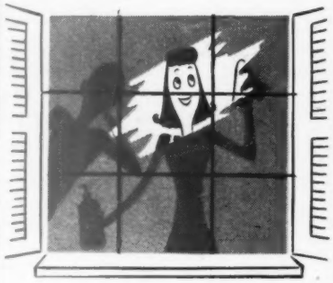


They moved the next morning,
and looked all around—
The place was as dark
as a hole in the ground!

"Oh, dear!" muttered Kent,
and "Oh, WINDEX!" said Lu,
"There's plenty of light,
but it doesn't come through!"



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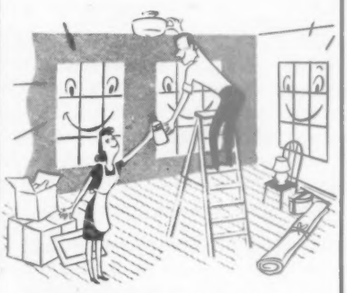

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By Dr. Charles Frederick McKivergan

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For the answers turn to page 129. Allow 5 points for each correct answer to questions 1 to 10, inclusive; 3 points for each correct sub-answer to questions 11 and 12; and 2 points for each correct answer to questions 13 thru 22.

1. A person can be vaccinated successfully against all but which *one* of the following diseases?
(a) smallpox
(b) typhoid fever
(c) chicken pox
(d) diphtheria

2. What disease currently causes more deaths during the first two years of life than do measles, diphtheria, infantile paralysis, and scarlet fever combined during the same period?
(a) scurvy
(b) typhoid fever
(c) whooping cough
(d) influenza

3. Penicillin—the wonder drug—is the
(a) crowning achievement of the United States Public Health Service.
(b) result of work completed at a French university.
(c) chance discovery of Dr. Alexander Fleming, a British scientist.
(d) by-product from the manufacture of aspirin.

4. Despite the belief of some people to the contrary, which *one* of the following is *not* transmissible from person to person?
(a) cancer
(b) athlete's foot
(c) impetigo
(d) mumps

5. Malaria, yellow fever, smallpox, and typhoid fever have which *one* of these in common?
(a) All are caused by the bite of an insect.
(b) All are always fatal.
(c) All are followed by a second attack.
(d) All are usually preventable.

6. Today's No. 1 killer of females in the 35–55 group is what, do you think?
(a) nephritis (c) apoplexy
(b) cancer (d) accidents

7. An infant born today can be expected to live about how many years longer than was the life expectancy of the infant born 100 years ago?

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(a) 7 (c) 17
(b) 27 (d) 37

8. Rickets, doctors say, is a disease caused by
(a) insufficient sleep.
(b) lack of Vitamin D.
(c) an unidentified microbe.
(d) heredity.

9. What disease in this country causes more deaths *among children of school ages* than does any other disease?
(a) rheumatic fever
(b) pleurisy
(c) appendicitis
(d) undulant fever

10. Scientific investigation has proved that the most frequent source of tuberculosis is
(a) night air.
(b) infected milk.
(c) contact with human carrier of the germ.
(d) too little exercise.

11. The United States Army today uses preventive vaccines against 7 diseases. Can you name *up to 5* of them?

12. How many of the famous names in the following numbered column can you pair correctly with the medical achievement in the lettered column with which the name is associated?

1. Louis Pasteur
2. Bela Schick
3. Alexis Carrel
4. Madame Curie
5. Wilhelm Roentgen

a. discovery of radium
b. prevention of rabies
c. discovery of the X-ray
d. invention of the mechanical heart
e. development of test to determine immunity to diphtheria

True or False

13. Stomach ulcers can be caused by prolonged worry..... ___ ___
14. The only *natural* source of vitamins is foodstuffs..... ___ ___
15. The germ that causes lockjaw is found only where there is rust..... ___ ___
16. Bone is the hardest substance in the body... ___ ___
17. Every year an increasing number of persons in the United States becomes the victim of diabetes..... ___ ___
18. Typhoid fever is spread thru both contaminated milk and contaminated water..... ___ ___
19. A tooth kept clean will never decay..... ___ ___
20. Color blindness affects more females than males..... ___ ___
21. Infantile paralysis never affects adults..... ___ ___
22. Draft rejections in World War II were proportionately higher in rural areas in the United States than in our cities. ___ ___

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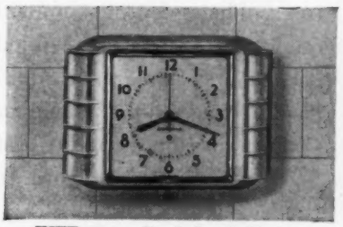

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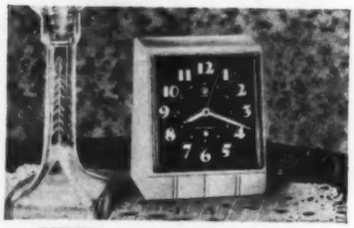

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Tame Those Spring Rains

By William Clayton Pryor

OUR garden was almost washed away.

The neat rows of vegetables were wiped out, and along the foot of the garden slope was an irregular mound of soil with young lettuce, beet, and bean plants embedded in it like raisins in a cake. In the flower border all plants except the sturdiest perennials were gone.

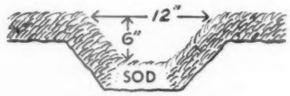
Now, you can't do much about the weather, but you *can* control erosion. Progressive farmers do it by using conservation practices, and we decided to try their methods.

The rain uprooted our garden because it lay on sloping land. Besides the water that fell in the rows, the garden caught all the runoff from the grassed terrace bank behind the house. There was too much uncontrolled water.

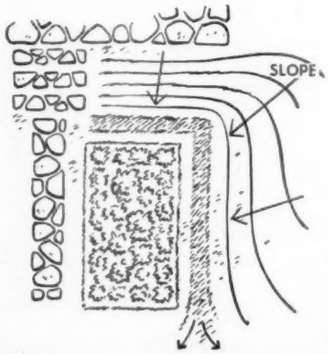
So we dug small ditches to carry the surplus water *around* the gardens and discharge it on the grassy lawn where it did no harm.

ONE part of the garden has a one-way slope to the south and we fixed that with simple bench terraces. Another part slopes gently in two directions. This, the experts said, called for contoured rows, which follow around the slope on the level, and hold water where it falls for future use, instead of chuting it downhill, taking the garden with it. Our neighbors look askance at this cockeyed gardening, but we were delighted, after a hard midsummer storm, to see each contoured row holding water, every plant upright, and no noticeable erosion.

Laying out level rows around the slope didn't look easy, but a friend showed us how to make and use the



CROSS SECTION OF DIVERSION DITCH



The diversion ditches catch the water. To keep the ditches from washing out, we lined them with pieces of firm sod taken from odd corners

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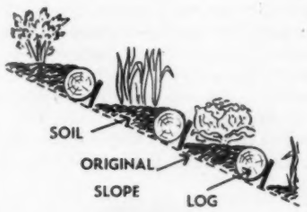
simple gadget, pictured on this page, which did the trick. We call it a "walking-A," and we had no trouble in getting our lines.

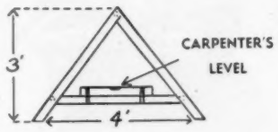
Not all the trouble occurs in spring and summer. Rains and thaws during winter cause damage, too. To overcome this, we sow a winter cover crop of rye and hairy vetch, which benefits our garden three ways. The cover crop uses up the residue of plant foods left by the garden crops instead of letting them leach away, and it protects the soil against erosion during the winter. And in the spring, when it is spaded into the ground, it adds organic matter to the soil.

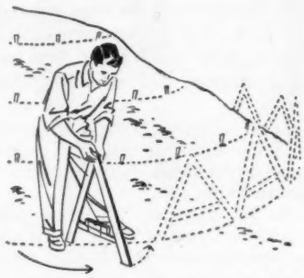
Rye and vetch can be planted any time from August 1 to October 1. They grow slowly all winter. Spade or plow them under in the spring while the plants are still succulent.

All of these are simple things that anyone can do without expert help. They yield tangible returns in saving soil, seed, and plant food. And they also result in more flowers and vegetables from the same space.



Logs of six to eight inches in diameter were laid crosswise of the slope, then the soil leveled between them





Set "walking-A" absolutely level at starting point. Swing the rear foot ahead and find a point where it again is level. Repeat this until you reach the other side of the garden. You have laid out a contoured row

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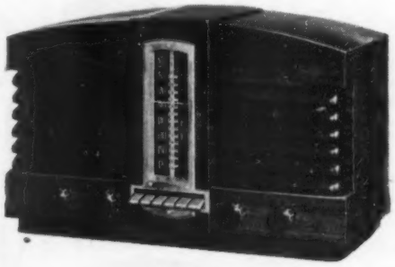

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Soften gelatine in cold tomato juice; dissolve in hot tomato juice. Add lemon juice, salt, and celery salt. Cool. Combine cottage cheese, celery, olives, and chives; shape into 6 balls. Pour a thin coating of gelatine into individual molds that have been rinsed in cold water. When firm, put a cheese ball in each mold. When remaining gelatine begins to thicken, pour into molds. Chill until firm. Serve with mayonnaise. Garnish with additional cottage cheese.

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When My Husband Paints

By May Richstone

THERE is an old story about a fly who sat on an ox's back and announced complacently, "Today we ploughed." I hereby scornfully disclaim any resemblance to that fly. When my man does a job around the house, chances are that after he's finished he is as fresh as a daisy, but I am worn and frazzled. He does the work, it is true. But I do all the fetching and carrying, I do the mopping up, I do the encouraging and admiring. If that's an equal distribution, I'll eat my hat and veil.

Take the painting of our pint-size, downstairs bathroom, for example. It's so small you have to breathe up and down in it. Its round, blue-and-red glass window looks decorative and pretty, but it lets in scant light. The last time the painters did the house, in a frenzy I insisted on having its walls done a dark-wine color. It was unusual, but it was a mistake. Even switching the

The bathroom walls were painted so dark that fingerprints didn't show, even with the lights on. But neither did anything else

light on in broad daylight gave only an illusion of visibility. Of course, fingerprints didn't show. But neither did anything else.

So I am happy when my man produces a can of white paint and prepares to cover that hapless color.

YOUNG son is safely tucked away for the night, so he can't complicate matters by helping, the dinner dishes are disposed of, and the kitchen is as neat as a pin. I am about to sit down comfortably when my man appears.

"Is there any turpentine around?" he grunts, trying to bend the bristles of a petrified paintbrush.

"There is. It's in the—never mind. I'll get it." I know better than to try to *tell* him its whereabouts. Eventually I'll have to find it for him anyhow.

He goes off with the turpentine and brush. I pick up my mending basket.

"Got any rags?" he inquires two minutes later.

"Lots of them," I say briskly, and procure some.

Again I settle myself comfortably, but soon that man is here again.

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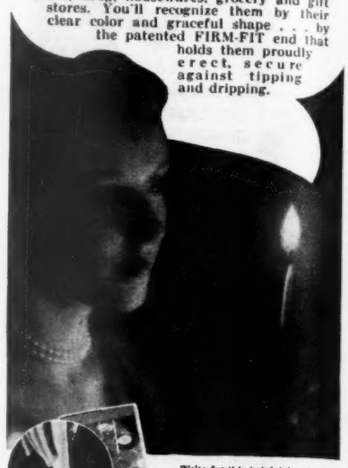

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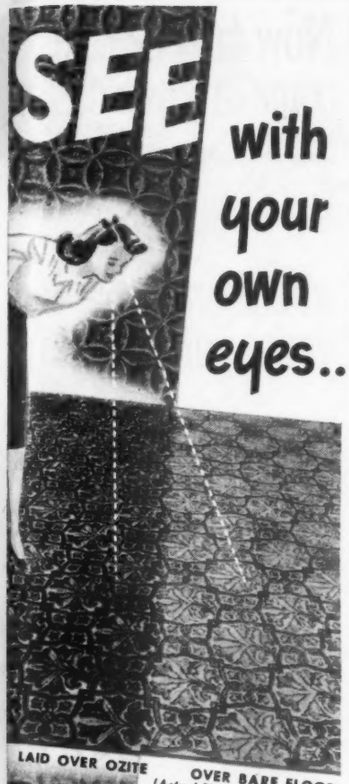

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"I'd better spread newspapers. Where will—?"

"I'll get some," I reassure him. I spread it around. I also get the step stool while I am at it. I'm just heading hopefully back to my chair when my man says wistfully,

"Now if I could only find my working gloves . . ." I produce them from the garage.

"Thanks," he says, absently. "You know what I'd really appreciate?"

"Speak and say, my darling," I mutter.

"A cup of tea to fortify me. And maybe some toasted muffins."

It's a mere hour since dinner, but he is doing *me* a favor on this painting job. Back into my shining kitchen I go. Since I'm there, I may as well try that new recipe for applesauce cake with seven-minute, seafoam frosting. But it's a sin to light the oven for one lone cake. I'll whip up a batch of cookies, and slip in some rice pudding, too. While my man works, I do not sit.

HE RISES from his tea as I get out the mixing bowls. He has his work and I have mine. I am creaming the sugar and shortening to a delicate shade of silver when,

"Have you got a wide, flat can I can put paint in?"

From the basement, I bring a selection of things that might do. He settles happily on an old pan. As I break the eggs into the bowl, I hear the slap of a paintbrush. It is a good sound. He is loftily settled at his work and needs nothing more.

"Come and see the big improvement!"

I gallop to the scene. On the ceiling are three thin transparent strokes of paint thru which the old, red paint stubbornly shows.

"It will need a second coat, of course," he reassures me

"It will need a second coat, of course." He reassures me. My heart sinks. Two coats are more than I bargained for. My poor arches!

"Come and look at it now!" He invites every five minutes. For smooth sailing, an engine needs oil and my man needs approval.

"It's going to be a great success." I murmur, with variations, and bustle back each time to the baking. The recipe for seven-minute frosting is before me, and I have one eye on the page, one eye on the double boiler.

"How about a glass of iced tea?" He sings out. "I'm parched."

I make it. [*Turn to next page*

THIS story begins in the late 1920s . . . day of the boyish bob, the flower-pot hat and the Charleston.

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When My Husband Paints

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I take it to him. I scuttle back to the kitchen.

"Come quick!" He hollers urgently. "I have paint in my eye!"

I FLY to give first aid with a wet towel; then back to beat the icing. Seven minutes, the recipe avers, until it stands in peaks. I beat until my right arm nearly drops off, then I beat with my left one. I huff and puff. Still no peaks. Instead, there are depths of despair and frustration, until finally I get peaks, beautiful peaks. But I vow I have made seven-minute frosting for the first and last time.

Cookies cool. Rice pudding gleams in pyrex. Cake is resplendent in its perfidious sea-foam icing. The kitchen is in chaos, and I am weary in every joint.

"Finished!" announces my man loudly and boastfully. "Come see the first coat."

I stagger to the bathroom, and I admire the streaked effect. The aftermath of debris is mine to clear away while my man enjoys a shower. Half an hour later, I, too, can say a proud, limp "Finished!"

FROM the kitchen I see my man standing at the bathroom door, beaming upon his handiwork.

"Look at it," he urges me. "It's going to be OK."

"Certainly is," I agree, but fresh out of enthusiasm.

"Got some cocoa for a starving husband?"

I heel, and hobble back into the kitchen. Did I marry a man or a yawning chasm?

When the next coat of paint is scheduled, I'll know better. I'll know my twin roles. I'll do yeoman service fetching and carrying, and while he lays on the paint with a brush, I'll lay on the praise with a trowel. Men need approval. They have to be patted on the back. The rest of the time, I'll sit near the bathroom door and relax.

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Emergency Flour

By Ida Ruth Younkin

ARE you about ready to dip into your new sack of emergency flour, and are you wondering how that next pie or cake is going to look and taste? Below we've tried to anticipate your questions with answers from our Tasting-Test Kitchen.

1. Why is the flour called emergency flour?

It *is* emergency flour, milled to make the world's wheat crop go further. A utility flour, it temporarily replaces the regular enriched white flour. You will find some of your favorite brands replaced by new names for the emergency flour. For those who use self-rising flour, an emergency self-rising flour is available. There will be no cake flour milled.

2. Is it a brown flour?

No, it has a creamy white to beige color in contrast to the color of the enriched white flour we've been using. The color is due to the presence of more of the wheat kernel than is usually milled into white flour. From 100 pounds of wheat, 72 pounds of flour used to be milled. Now 100 pounds of wheat yield 80 pounds of the emergency flour.

3. How does the color affect baked products?

Plain biscuits, breads, and pastry will be slightly off-white. No color change will be noticed when recipes use whole egg, egg yolks, spice, chocolate, or other ingredients which add color.

4. Will I have to change my recipes to use emergency flour?

No, you use emergency flour just as you would enriched white flour.

5. How will my cake made with emergency flour compare with what I usually make?

The flavor will be about the same. The cake will not be so velvety and delicate, nor will it have the volume of a cake made with cake flour or with enriched white flour. However, we have made good spice, chocolate, and other favorite cakes. We do not advise making the new one-bowl cakes with emergency flour since they do require precision ingredients. There'll be special cakes made with emergency flour in the July issue of *Better Homes & Gardens.*

6. Should I make any changes in making quick breads?

Follow the same rule, "Mix only until flour is moistened," when you are making the breakfast muffins, pancakes, or other quick breads.

7. Will yeast breads react differently with emergency flour? [*Turn to next page*

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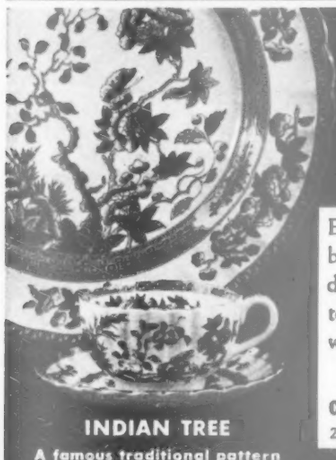

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Emergency Flour

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The important thing to watch in yeast breads is to let the dough rise until just double. Don't let it get too light. You may notice the loaf made with emergency flour hasn't as good volume and isn't as nicely rounded as that with enriched white flour.

8. How much emergency flour do I use for thickening gravy, pie fillings, etc.?

Exactly the same amount you've been using.

9. How do the food values of emergency flour and enriched white flour compare?

The calorie values are the same. Most emergency flour is being enriched to meet the standard for enriched white flour since without the enrichment, emergency flour has only about half the vitamins and minerals contained in enriched white flour. So ask for *enriched* flour.

10. What about the keeping quality of emergency flour?

It does not keep as well as white flour. So do not buy too large quantities. Store it in a covered container in a cool, dry place.

Memo: To My Architect

***From:* Ralph Shaffer**
***Subject:* My New Home**

I WANT you to take this in the right spirit. I wouldn't tell you your business, you understand. It's all right with me if you want to incorporate new ideas for superior construction and improved materials in my home. But first let's have an understanding about a lot of little things I want.

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mosquitoes. With automatic fire control.

Give me a vest-pocket Kiddie Kit, to be standard equipment for parades and family trips of not more than 200 miles. It should include all those things that won't fit in a torn shopping bag, namely, two battered camp stools, a thermos bottle, three small flags on very sharp sticks, and a child's toilet seat.

A "must" on my list is an electronic gadget that will pop out of a wall to hand me each day's mail when I come home. Then the family won't tell me that of course the insurance-renewal notice came weeks ago, so I must have seen it, for it's been right there in the desk with all the other bills and direct mail circulars we have been collecting for years.

SEE if you can blueprint a Night-Night Companion—no father should be without one. It will hang on a crib and deliver at bedtime, upon request and in any given order, a drink of water, a cooky, a drink of chocolate milk, Jocko (whose stuffing is falling out), a book about kittens, and/or another drink of water.

Then I'd like a long-handled gadget beside my easy chair, connected to a series of underground rods and pipes in the garden. A brief juggling of the handle, on a hot summer day, would sprinkle the garden and do all cultivating automatically.

You might as well include a den-size, little-home-budget-and-income-tax lightning calculator. It must be adaptable to all situations, especially fur coats, and it must not become impatient, irascible, or discouraged on March 14.

LAST but not least, I want a barometric appliance that will function at the first drop of rain falling after 11 p.m., closing all windows and bringing in the lawn chairs. It must not arouse anyone, especially me.

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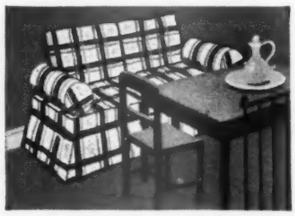
Symphony of Spring

Page 43. Pudding bowl, Imperial Candlewick; all other dishes, Winfield Pottery, Bamboo pattern, all from Tatman's Inc., Chicago.

Bring in Those Flowering Branches

Page 80. "Old Hickory" bean jug, Cookware Associates, Bucyrus, Ohio; bread tin, Ekco Products Co., Chicago; Pyrex baking dish, Corning Glass Works, Corning, N. Y.



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for So Good Meals

The meals appear on page 43

Giant Popovers

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2 well-beaten eggs
1 cup milk
1 cup enriched flour
½ teaspoon salt

Heat popover pans or glass custard cups in oven. Combine eggs, milk, flour, and salt; beat thoroly. Remove pans from oven. Place ⅓ teaspoon butter or fortified margarine in each popover cup. Pour in batter, filling each cup one-half to two-thirds full. Bake in very hot oven (475°) 15 minutes, then in moderate oven (350°) 20 to 25 minutes. Makes 8 popovers.

Mock Hollandaise Sauce

"*Rich, sunshiny-yellow sauce with a tart lemon flavor—excellent on asparagus*"—

1 cup hot medium white sauce
3 slightly beaten egg yolks
2 tablespoons butter or fortified margarine
3 tablespoons lemon juice

Slowly stir a little hot sauce into egg yolks. Add to remaining sauce. Cook over hot water, stirring constantly until thick, about 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in butter and lemon juice. Makes 1⅓ cups.

Rosy Rhubarb Pie

"*Bubbling with the tart goodness of early-spring rhubarb*"—

4 cups unpeeled, pink rhubarb, cut in 1-inch pieces
⅓ cup enriched flour
1⅓ to 1½ cups sugar
⅛ teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon butter or fortified margarine
1 recipe Plain Pastry

Combine rhubarb, flour, sugar, and salt. Place in shallow 9-inch pastry-lined piepan. Dot with butter or fortified margarine. Adjust top crust. Bake in very hot oven (450°) 15 minutes, then in moderate oven (350°) 40 minutes. Serves 6.

Snowballs

"*Frothy gelatine, cool and fresh-tasting with lemon*"—

2 tablespoons (2 envelopes) unflavored gelatine
½ cup cold water
2 cups hot water
1½ cups sugar
½ cup lemon juice
3 stiff-beaten egg whites

Soften gelatine in cold water; dissolve in hot water. Add sugar; stir until dissolved. Add lemon juice. Chill until partially set. Beat until frothy. Fold in egg whites. Pour into oiled custard cups. Chill until firm. Unmold. Serve with Custard Sauce. Quickly swirl maple sirup in a fine stream over the top. Serves 8. **Custard Sauce:** Combine 3 beaten egg yolks, dash of salt, and ¼ cup sugar. Gradually stir in 2 cups scalded milk. Cook over hot water until mixture coats spoon, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add 1 teaspoon vanilla. Chill thoroly. Makes 2¼ cups. [*Turn to next page*

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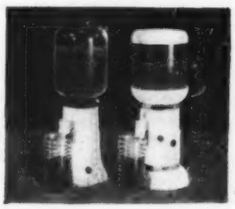

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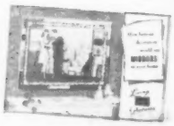

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[*Continued from preceding page*]

Strawberry Cream Pie

"A three-layer pie! Whole strawberries, creamy custard, and whipped cream"—

- ¾ cup sugar
- 6 tablespoons enriched flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 2 slightly beaten egg yolks
- 2 cups milk
- 1 tablespoon butter or fortified margarine
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

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- 1 pint fresh strawberries
- ¼ cup sugar
- 1 9-inch baked pastry shell

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- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 cup heavy cream, whipped

Mix ¾ cup sugar, flour, and salt. Slowly stir in egg yolks and milk. Cook over hot water, stirring constantly until thick, about 10 minutes. Cover. Continue cooking 15 minutes. Add butter and vanilla; cool. Wash and hull berries; reserve few with hulls on for decorating pie. Sprinkle with ¼ cup sugar. Place in baked shell. Add 2 tablespoons sugar to cream. Fold about one-fourth of whipped cream into the cooled custard. Pour over berries. Spread remaining whipped cream over top. Decorate with whole berries. Serve immediately. Serves 6.

Ham Loaf

"Well-seasoned, moist, and fluffy"—

- 1 pound ground smoked ham
- ½ pound ground pork
- 2 cups soft bread crumbs or wheat flakes
- ⅛ teaspoon pepper
- 1 well-beaten egg
- ¾ cup milk

Combine all ingredients; mix thoroly. Pack in ungreased 5- by 9-inch loaf pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 1 hour. Drain off excess fat. Serves 6 to 8.

Fruit-Filled Angel Food

"Spectacular in appearance, heavenly to eat . . . and easy to do, too"—

- 1 very high angel food cake (See page 61)

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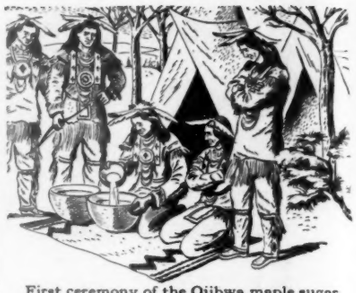
- ⅓ cup confectioners' sugar
- 1½ pints heavy cream, whipped
- 1 cup diced, well-drained, canned pineapple
- 1 cup strawberries, cut in quarters
- 8 marshmallows, cut in quarters
- ½ cup coarsely chopped, toasted nut meats

Place cooled angel food, with larger surface at bottom, on serving plate. Cut slice 1 inch thick from top of cake and remove carefully. Make cavity in cake by cutting down 1 inch from outer edge, 1 inch from inner edge, and 1 inch from bottom. Carefully pull out this cut piece with fingers. (You can eat this piece! It's "extra.") Fold sugar into whipped cream. Divide cream in two parts, taking a little more than half for the filling. Carefully fold in the fruit, marshmallows, and nut meats. Fill cake. Replace the top layer. Spread remaining whipped cream over top and sides of cake. Chill in refrigerator 3 or 4 hours before serving. Serves 12 to 14.



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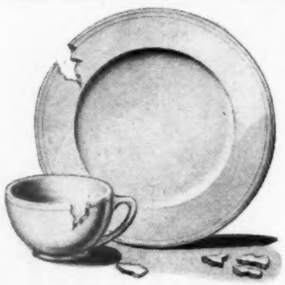

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Sour Cream Muffins

"Delicately tender—golden brown"—

- 1 well-beaten egg
- 1 cup thick sour cream
- 1 tablespoon melted shortening
- 1⅓ cups enriched flour
- 1½ teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons sugar

Combine egg, sour cream, melted shortening, and sifted dry ingredients. Mix just until flour is moistened. Batter will not be smooth. Fill greased muffin pans two-thirds full. Bake in hot oven (400°) 25 minutes. Makes 1 dozen muffins.

Curried Veal and Celery

"The curry flavor is so mild even non-curry fans will like this"—

- 1 pound veal steak, cut in 1-inch pieces
- ¼ cup enriched flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 6 tablespoons bacon drippings or fat
- 3 cups boiling water

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- 3 cups diced celery
- ½ teaspoon curry powder
- ¼ cup cold water

Dredge meat in flour, salt, and pepper mixture. (Save any remaining flour mixture.) Brown meat in hot fat. Add 2 cups of the boiling water, or enough to just cover meat. Cover. Simmer tender, about 45 minutes . . . adding the remaining 1 cup boiling water as the liquid cooks down. Add celery last 10 minutes of cooking. Mix curry powder with remaining flour mixture. Stir in ¼ cup cold water. Stir into meat mixture. Cook 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Serve on hot, crisp, chow-mein noodles or fluffy, cooked rice. Serves 6.

Jellied Cucumber and Pineapple Salad

"A perfect dinner salad because of its springy flavor"—

- 1 tablespoon (1 envelope) unflavored gelatine
- ¼ cup cold water
- 1 cup boiling water
- ½ cup pineapple juice
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup diced cucumber
- 1½ cups diced, canned pineapple

Soften gelatine in cold water. Dissolve in boiling water. Add pineapple juice, lemon juice, and salt. Chill until partially set. Add cucumber and pineapple. Chill until firm. Serve on lettuce with mayonnaise. Serves 6.

For winter bouquets, cut strawflowers before the centers are open—gypsophila and statice when flowers are well formed. Hang them upside down in a cool, dark place to dry. Strip off the foliage, and if you want them to be easy to arrange, wrap a fairly stiff wire around each stem and curve stems by bending the branches to the wire before drying. —*Marguerite Smith, Indianapolis.*

Nonspill vase. To prevent a lightweight vase from spilling water and flowers too easily, weight the bottom with small pieces of scrap lead, warm the vase, then pour paraffin or sealing wax over the lead to set.—*Ken Murray.*

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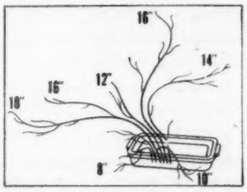
Bring in Those Flowering Branches

By Fae Huttenlocher

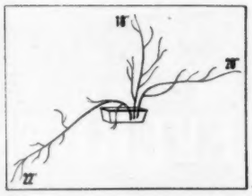
You can use a bean pot, bread tin, or glass baker to hold this month's fragrant, flowering boughs

DON'T be without flowers in May. Have the man in your house cut long, blossoming branches for you while garden, orchard, woodland, and wayside are white with them. Hawthorn, crab, plum, apple, peach, cherry—their boughs will remain lovely for weeks. Split the ends, peel back the bark an inch or two to open up more drinking cells. If you do not have vases or bowls heavy enough to hold the branches, look in your kitchen cupboard for such simple containers as a bean pot, a bread tin, or glass baker. Here's how you can make pretty-as-a-picture arrangements for three different rooms in your home.

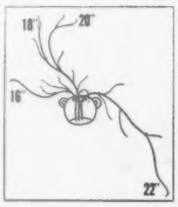
Photographs: Stanley For accessories, see "Where to Get It," page 76



Glass baking dish, 6½" wide, 10½" long, 2" deep, holds seven flowering plum branches on the dining table. A 6-inch needlepoint holder is used in the left-hand side of the bowl; two black-enameled boards, ¾" thick, 4" wide, and 16" long, are placed under it to protect the table's surface and add stability to the wide-spreading arrangement



Dime-store bread tin, 7½" long, 3¾" wide, 2" deep, offers good proportions for branch arrangements on a mantel, since the container is easily hidden with foliage. Here its fragrant cargo, three wild-crab branches, is handsome against the gray-green walls and woodwork



Brown bean pot, sturdy and rustic-looking, is excellent for holding flowering hawthorn on an occasional table. Retain the free, sweeping effect of the branches' natural growth by cutting them long. Notice how this type of arrangement focuses attention on the picture above table, instead of appearing to interfere with it in any way

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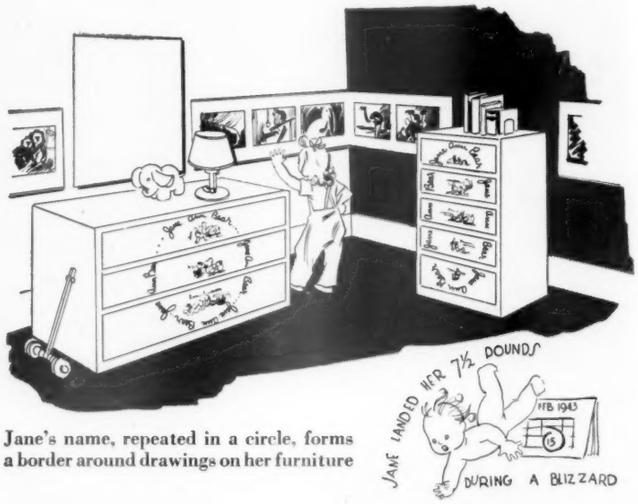
By Joy Hearn Bear



Jane's name, repeated in a circle, forms a border around drawings on her furniture

OUR Jane is the subject of decorations on her nursery furniture. Tho only 2½ years old, she has given us so many ideas for illustrations that our hardest task has been that of elimination. Eventually, we may use the surplus suggestions to decorate the inner walls of her clothes closet, or as a border around the playroom.

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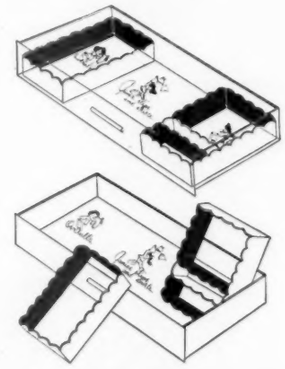
We didn't stop with decorating the outside of her furniture. To bring order to the jumble of childish bureau drawers, we painted gay pictures on the bottoms, illustrating the type of garment to be put in each spot. This device appeals to her pride, because her name is right next to the pictures in several places; to her sense of humor, for the illustrations are whimsical and colorful; and to any instinct for neatness she may have, because she can match her garments with the ones pictured, altho she is too young to read.

Even neat piles of clothing can get muddled when drawers are frequently opened and shut, so we added device number two: small removable plywood rectangles. Of different widths, some are subdivided, with small compartments for sox, mittens, and hair ribbons; others for panties and undershirts; and the largest spaces for overalls, pajamas, and nighties. These rectangles are painted in a number of bright, harmonious colors, to make the tidying-up process a cheerful one.



Sketches and compartments inside of the bureau drawers help her keep her clothes in neat, separate piles

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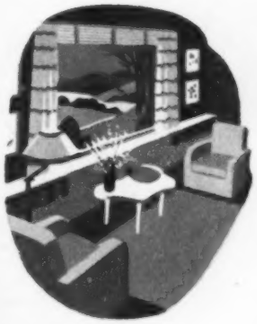

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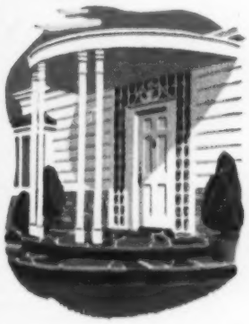

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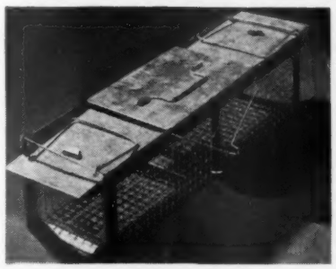

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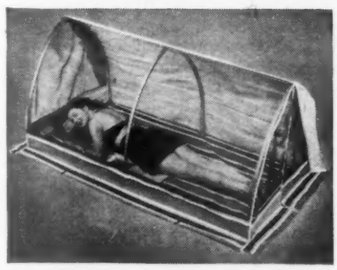

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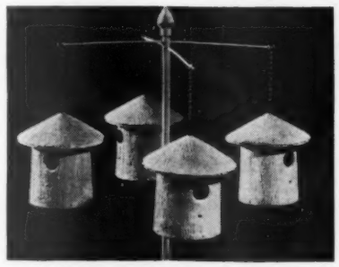

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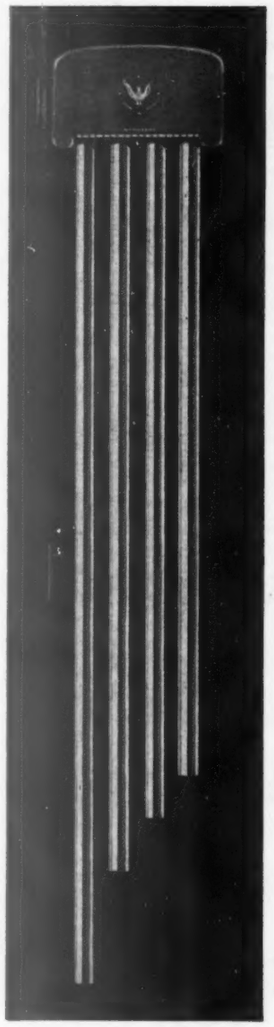

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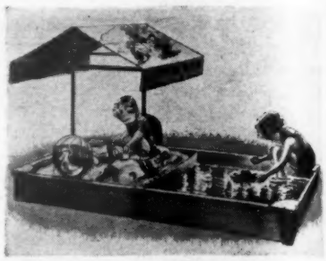

Play beach with built-in fun for young beachcombers—without a trip from home. Sky-blue canopy moves to shade pool, tilts on finished oak uprights to meet any degree of sunshine. Made of heavy, green, water-repellent duck, *Sunny Play Beach* measures 3′ x 6′, has steel corner seats and braces, metal pool drain. In stores only, $15.95. Baker-Lockwood Mfg. Co., Inc., 14th Ave. at Clay St., Kansas City 16, Mo.

Flameproofed fabric is coming to you. *Ban-Flame* process, war-born, is applied (at factory only) to cotton, woolens, or rayons without changing feel or appearance. Flame chars fabric at point of contact, but fabric itself won't flame. Flameproofed mattress covers, draperies, dresses, children's clothes make for safer living. *Ban-Flame* mildewproofs, too. Fabrics may be washed or dry-cleaned without losing these qualities. Look for the *Ban-Flame* label in stores soon. Joseph Bancroft & Sons Co., Wilmington 99, Del.

Plastic beach ball weighs only 10 ozs. yet withstands 250 lbs. weight. It's a silvery bubble (lower left) and owes its existence to the wartime solar still (upper right) used to provide fresh water for men lost at sea. Seams are electronically welded; diameter, inflated, is 22″. Tough enough to take a good beating on the beach or in your recreation room. In stores, $4. Du Page Plastics Co., 10 S. La Salle St., Chicago 3, Ill.

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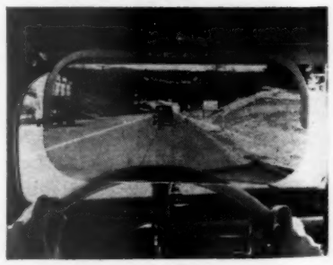

Driving visor takes glare out of the sun on highway. Polarizing plastic filters out rays that cause squinting and blurring, but transmits light. Plastic shield is mounted in lightweight frame, ready to slip onto standard auto visor. For day-driving only. *Polaroid Day-Driving Visor*, $4.95, in stores only. Polaroid Corp., Cambridge 39, Mass.

NEWS NOT PICTURED

New phonograph needle gives truer sound reproduction, is less wearing on records. Plastic silencer hushes mechanical sounds, new alloy and new curve in needle reduce surface scratch. One needle plays 5,000 records. *Long Life Aeropoint "88,"* $1.50, in stores. Aero Needle Co., 619 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 1, Ill.

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The Man Next Door

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This brave new world has engulfed the young couple that lives above the 2-car garage across the street. "I was born in an 11-room house that cost $5,000 to build," the young fellow says, "and now we find it will take $5,430 to build a 4-room house, 26 by 26.

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"For the last few years," muses Les Gowan, as he rearranges his living-room furniture, "we've put in about five times as much mileage on our old davenport as we have in our old car."

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Maybe one reason why women have gotten the jump on men so fast the last few decades is that somehow they seem to read about five times as many books as the men do.

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Between April and May there's such a vast improvement in the weather that it's hard to believe the heating bill drops only $7 or $8. The nocturnal furnace contradicts the daytime thermometer.

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Some of the matrons in our town think it's good strategy to start a lively spat with their husbands now and then. . . . What begins as a quarrel often winds up in a whizzer of a reconciliation.

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As the only member of our family who likes his meat well done, it's often good tactics for me to be a little late for dinner. . . . It gives the meat more time on the fire.

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"If we could dramatize the menace of the housing shortage," pipes up Phyllis Gowan, "and call it a 'rearmament program' maybe we could rearm the American newlyweds with a couple of million houses inside of a year."

Of course, if you can't remodel to reduce your kitchen mileage, the next best thing is possibly a tricycle or a kitchen stool with wheels, on which you can pedal around from sink to mechanical refrigerator to stove. Or can you make it on foot?

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old girl and the lucky man who married her, it's a moot question which one feels more at a disadvantage.

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While I was away at the wars the child population around our block miraculously rose to 38.... We figure that when it reaches 50 we can hire a neighborhood nurse to take care of the ones whose parents are off on a trip.

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Which has a more pleasant sound to you—the telephone or the doorbell? If you really enjoy the doorbell more, you're genuinely gregarious and like to see people . . . even salesmen who show up without warning.

When the family complained of chill and drafts during the last cold spell, I explored a little. Three windows were slightly open; two doors were ajar; the mail slot in the wall wasn't shut, and the fireplace flue hadn't been closed. Brother, was I self-righteous!

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My frugal and well-to-do neighbor in the next block has been secretly peeved because his cook wasted both ends of every loaf of bread.... Didn't dare say anything about it until the President paved the way with his dark-bread decree.

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"I don't understand how," confides the returned officer across the street, "Ike Eisenhower could inspect every combat division but my wife can't inspect the house from attic to basement once a month."

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The newlyweds who bought the old house up the street were vexed when they found all the warm-water faucets on the right side instead of the left. . . . But the bride quickly found a solution—she asked the plumber to switch the "hot" and "cold" signs.

Occasionally, it's a good thing if an especially waspish guest casts an eye about one's living room.... It helps, for example, to see the 15-year-old davenport realistically instead of affectionately.

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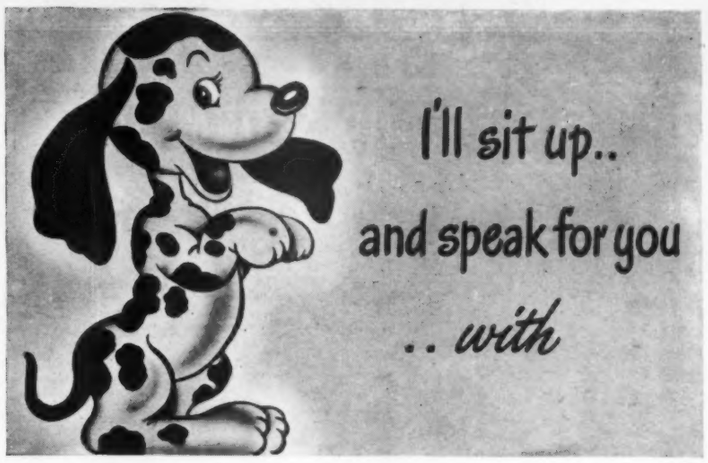

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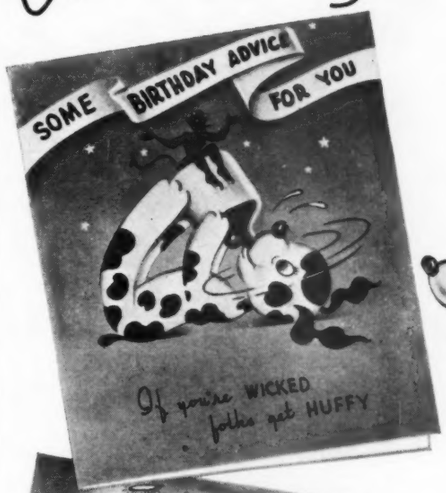

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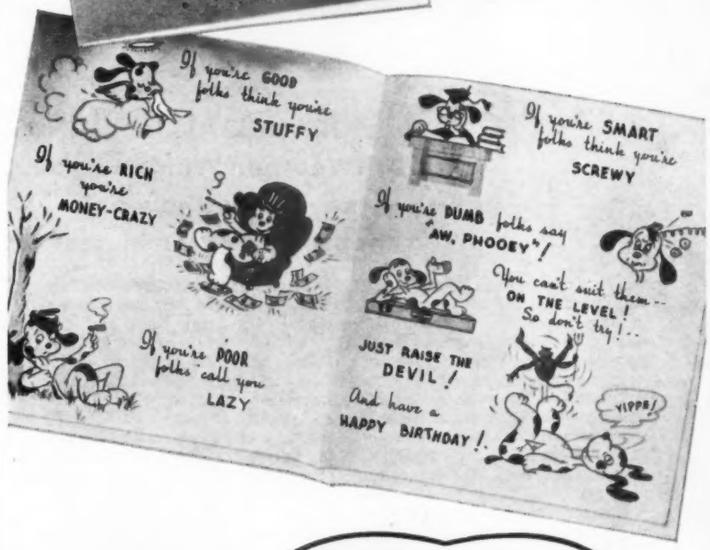

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The Man Next Door

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That puzzled father in the next block has quit trying to win his children's admiration merely by being himself. "It takes a good actor to impress 'em," he says. Most of us, alas, are ham actors at playing father.

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Often the difference between a successful marriage and a mediocre one consists of leaving about three or four things a day unsaid.

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One of our neighbors who has had 45 different maids in 12 years wants to write a book about 'em. She likes to dwell, perhaps, on the one who used to light the gas-stove oven and leave the door open to warm the kitchen in winter. Or the one who left the refrigerator open on hot days to cool the room.

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What outrages a husband is not merely that his wife questions his judgment, but that she questions it for an excellent reason.

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One doting father in the neighborhood allows his 15-year-old to use the family car occasionally; now all the children are able to say, "But all the *other* parents let 15-year-olds drive the car!"

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Some matrons use ingenuity and imagination in the kitchen. Others run up food bills that would total $100 to $200 a month if they ever really added 'em up.

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About 97 percent of all the gossip one hears around town is fascinating but false. . . . And the only way to get back at the gossipers is to start a few stories about them.

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I don't know a man who wouldn't gladly reduce his eating by one-sixth to help feed our hungry fellow worldlings—yet I don't know a man who's an official or political leader who dares advocate it. We ladle out our selfishness with shovels, our generosity with salt spoons.

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Much as I admire girls who study Latin and math in high school and college, that old die-hard conviction persists that if our educators really had the courage of lions they'd require the girls to learn how to cook and sew.

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I was reading a snatch of Shakespeare's Richard II to the family the other evening (my only chance to hear my voice these days) when I stumbled over an awkward line—and Shakespeare has plenty of 'em. . . . Quick as a flash the 9-year-old b. g. came to my rescue with a glib explanation of what he meant. "Catch, Daddy?" she asked. It's a chastening experience.

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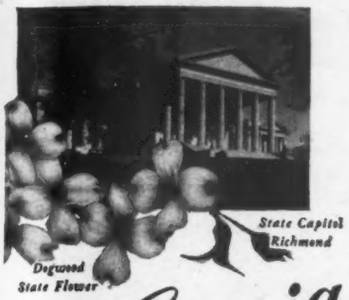

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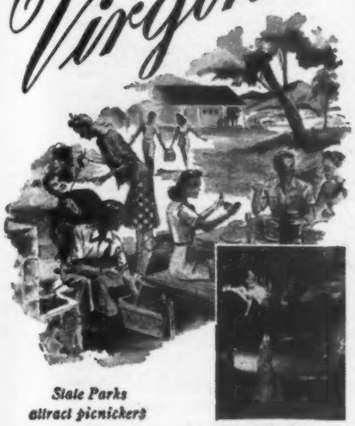

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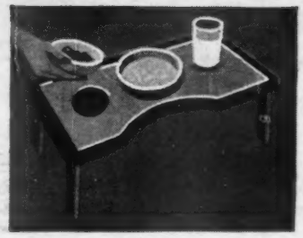

No-Spill Bed Tray. The best bed table is unsuited for a child because china will slide and contents will spill. To prevent this, we cut a piece of ¼" plywood to fit our tray. To hold service in place, we cut three circles, one large enough for a porringer, two smaller ones for drinking glass and sauce dish. Rim edges on three sides made it unnecessary to fasten top on, but it can be secured with two small screws.—*Mrs. F. D. Ellis, Hollyburn, B. C., Canada.*

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to you thru any Immigration Official or Local Ration Board. If it's a matter of stocking up all at once, you can buy up the limit of the card, but must wait until it has expired to get another.

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If you're addicted to a favorite brand, you may want to take cigarettes with you. Each tourist can carry 200, a carton's worth, across the border duty-free. Cigar or pipe smokers can enter, duty-free, 50 cigars and 2 pounds of tobacco.

INLAND CRUISES must, for the most part, satisfy all with deep-sea inclinations this summer. If you hurry, and can use a late-season sailing date, you may still be able to make reservations. Among cruises probably in operation this summer are: From Chicago every Saturday, seven days, *S. S. North American:* Mackinac, Georgian Bay, Detroit, Cleveland, Buffalo. $87.50 and up, plus tax. Georgian Bay Line.

From Buffalo every Saturday, seven days, *S. S. South American:* Cleveland, Detroit, Sault Ste. Marie, Duluth, Isle Royale. $87.50 and up, plus tax. Georgian Bay Line.

From Detroit every Monday, five days, *S. S. Western Springs:* Mackinac; Harbor Springs, Michigan; Midland, Ontario. $44 and up, plus tax. The same ship leaves every Friday night for a week-end cruise to Mackinac. $30 and up, plus tax. D & C Line.

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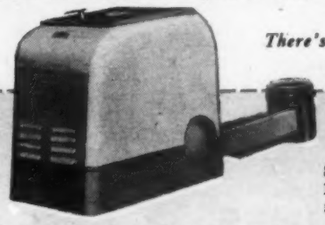

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Coastwise cruises on both coasts can again be had. But their heavy loss of ships during the war plus their continuing obligation to the War Shipping Administration will prevent most companies from resuming anything like a normal schedule. Consequently a few boats, but only a few, will be plying the Inner Channel en route to Alaska this summer. Canadian Pacific will be operating two ships, *S. S. Princess Louise* and *S. S. Princess Norah* from Vancouver to Skagway—nine days, $117.72 plus tax and up. This cruise allows a 36-hour stopover at Skagway, during which you can go by rail via the White Pass and Yukon Route to Lake Bennett—one day, $7.50 plus tax; or to Whitehorse—two days, $20 plus tax. On the east coast, meantime, one possibility is an escorted Chesapeake steamer cruise from New York to Williamsburg, Virginia, touching at Washington and Annapolis on the way. Check on both with your travel agent.

RESPITE CRUISES, each a brief but refreshing jaunt across the blue, will for the most part be readily available. Typical are daily excursions from Chicago to Milwaukee, Wisconsin; from Chicago or Milwaukee to Benton Harbor, Michigan; daily overnight passage, with car if you like, between Detroit and Cleveland and Detroit and Buffalo; overnight passage, Miami to Nassau in the Bahamas, thrice weekly aboard the Clarke Steamship Company's *M. S. Jean Brillant;* the many bit-trips aboard the steamers serving the sea-cooled islands of Puget Sound.

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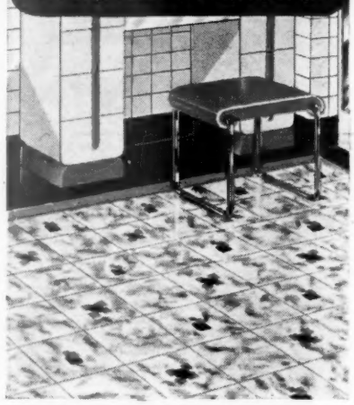

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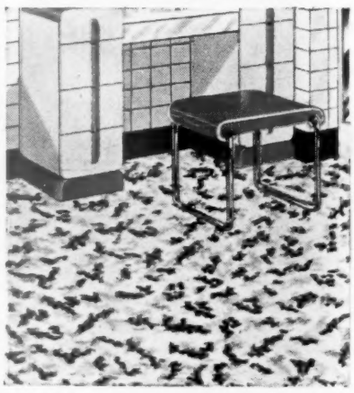

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IF POSSIBLE, wait a while to see Mexico. There's little prospect that the crowds which have been taxing hotels and transportation to the point of discomfort will ease this summer. As for spinning blithely along the much-talked-of Pan-American Highway in your own car: the American Automobile Association warned recently, "Tires are hard to obtain, altho they can be had thru black markets at about $100 each. Gasoline is scarce due to the recent railroad strike. Motorists should carry extra gasoline in 5- and 10-gallon cans for emergencies and keep filled up in the larger cities where supplies are easier to obtain. Visitors must be prepared to undergo some discomforts and inconveniences and, occasionally, extra expense, until the supplies of accommodations and tires catch up with demand and until the distribution of gasoline is again normal."

ESPECIALLY if you will be traveling with the crowd, these precautions will make all easier:

1. Talk your plans over frankly in complete detail with your local travel agent or transportation-company representative. If he can't give you exactly what you ask for, he may be able to draw upon his stock of possibilities.
2. Have this talk as early as you possibly can. Advance reservations are a "must" on all travel today, and the sooner you ask for them, the better your chance of getting them.
3. Check advance reservations carefully to make sure they are complete, covering all transportation, all accommodations.
4. Keep your baggage minimum, one large wardrobe case, for example, plus a smaller case giving you easy access to your overnight things. This is no time to be touring the country with trunks. When there are baggage limitations, as when you travel by air or take certain of the national-park bus tours, make sure what they are in advance and save trouble by packing accordingly.
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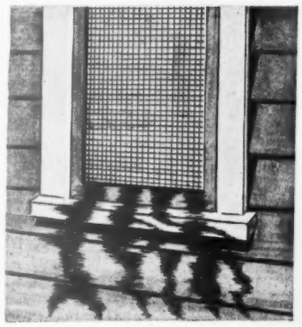

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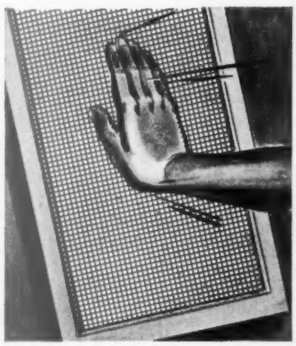

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Wildflowers

Easy to Grow

By Guy Neff

SOMETHING carefree and untamed about wildflowers reminds us of our childhood, a part of it that's growing more and more remote in our memories with each new billboard that straddles a country fence. Going to Grandfather's house no longer dallies us along roadsides color-splotched with adder's tongue and spring beauty. Most of us live far away from the meadow back of the schoolhouse where kids used to gather flowers for May baskets and garlands, meadows you can still smell if you shut your eyes.

You can revive some of this carefree charm in a corner of your garden by planting wildflowers. Native plants lifted from the wild are rarely moved successfully. Get superior nursery-grown plants with good top growth and good compact root systems. These eight familiar wildflowers will make you a fine start.

Pasqueflower, or wild crocus, thrives in rich sandy loam, produces purplish flowers nearly 2½ inches across

Red-sapped bloodroot, or turmeric, is easily grown in rich garden soils

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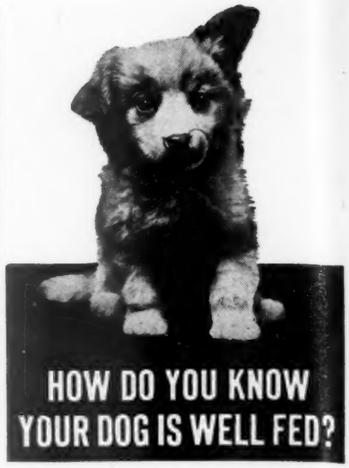
Dutchman's breeches is a sister of the very common red bleeding heart. Flowers are white, tipped with yellow



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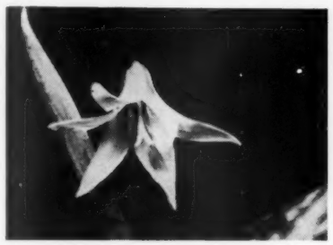
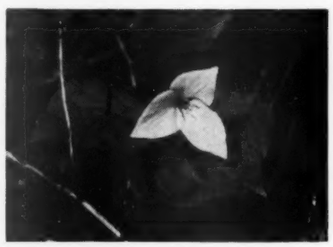
Mossy hepatica is propagated from seeds or by root division, prospers in rich well-drained loams, blooms vary in hues of pink, white, and blue



Dogtooth violet, or adder's tongue, is a bulbous spring-flowering herb for a shady, well-drained location

Jack-in-the-pulpit is found in shady places, popular for home gardens. It is sometimes called Indian turnip



Trillium, or wake robin, needs partial shade. Transplant wild roots after flowering, but check state laws

Spring beauty is a much-prized perennial, always eagerly awaited. Its succulent blades of foliage die down after its show of dainty pink flowers. The hard corm transplants easily to shady rockeries when dormant. In April we named six other early-blooming flowers that you should add to these if you're planning a wildflower garden. And if you hesitate, remember that anyone who likes them well enough to take care of them can grow wildflowers

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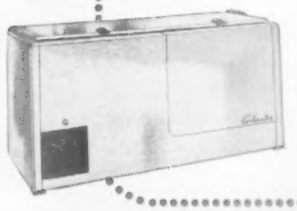

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Field Trials Determine

Best Annuals for Cutting

By Ray M. Koon
Director, Waltham Field Station

EACH year Waltham Field Station of Massachusetts State College conducts extensive trials of annuals, comparing new introductions with the older varieties. Also during the past two seasons, flowers have been cut often and carried to the veterans' hospitals about Boston. Thus, at the station we observed the sorts superior in form and color for garden planting and at the hospitals those that did best as cut flowers. This table shows our findings:

Best annuals	Best varieties	Comments
Ageratum	Blue Perfection	White and pink varieties are of little value.
Alyssum	Maritimum (sweet)	This is the old-fashioned fragrant species. Make two sowings a month apart.
Arctotis	Blue-Eyed African Daisy	An essential.
California poppy	Alba, Golden West, Scarlet Beauty, Mauve Beauty, Ramona Hybrids	Sow as early as possible where they are to grow.
Calliopsis	Golden Crown, Golden Wave, Tiger Star	Sow all these.
Calendula	Apricot, Ball Gold, Ball Lemon Queen, Masterpiece	Make a late sowing for flowers in cool weather; they stand frost.
Cosmos	All varieties pleasing. Use early-flowering types in pink, white, and red—single and double	Yellow Flare and Orange Flare are useful for their unusual tones.
Gaillardia	Indian Chief, Pinwheel, the Lorenziana Doubles	Among the finest for cut flowers.
Gypsophila	Elegans Grandiflora in white and pink	Fine in mixed bouquets. Not a continuous bloomer, so sow every three weeks.
Larkspur	Giant Imperial	Choose any of the various colors.
Marigold	Flaming Fire, Flash, Harmony Hybrids	Sunset Giants, altho variable in form and color, are also good for cutting.
Nasturtium	Glorious Gleam Hybrids	Nasturtiums will grow on poor soils, on dry, sandy, or gravelly banks
Petunia	Cheerful, Snowstorm, Sunburst, Bonfire, Cream Star, General Dodds	Consult catalog for ruffled giants, fringed singles, and double, fringed varieties you fancy.
Phlox	Giant Rosy Morn, Giant Salmon Glory, Giant Art Shades	Good for massed color
Poppy	Shirley, single and double	Sow early where they are to grow and thin to 8 inches. Cut before bud coverings split.
Salvia	Farinacea Royal Blue	It accents mixed arrangements.
Verbena	Grandiflora Giants: Snowdrift, Spectrum Red, Etna, Red Glory, Salmon Pink	Excellent for low bowls.
Zinnia	California Giants: Brightness, Scarlet Queen, Cerise Queen, Enchantress, Purity, Orange King	Among the best cut flowers.

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In planning bedrooms, consider how each member of the family can best use the space. If some would like space for study, reading, or music, their rooms will have to be enlarged accordingly.

The type of beds you plan to use and the arrangement of furniture in the room must also be considered in determining room size.

Think, too, about clothing storage—how many wardrobes or closets are needed, and how large they should be.

1. How many bedrooms:

	Check how many	How many sleeping in each?
No. 1 bedroom	____	____
No. 2 bedroom	____	____
No. 3 bedroom	____	____
No. 4 bedroom	____	____

2. What size beds will you use?

	Twin	Single	Double
No. 1 bedroom	☐	☐	☐
No. 2 bedroom	☐	☐	☐
No. 3 bedroom	☐	☐	☐
No. 4 bedroom	☐	☐	☐

3. Are naps taken in:
   - Den? ☐
   - Bedroom? ☐
   - Living room? ☐
   - Other? _____
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4. Should bedroom closets provide husband and wife with:
   - Separate storage space? ☐
   - Combined storage space? ☐
5. Will you move in or buy new the following:

	How many will you move in?	buy new?	Estimated cost if bought new
Beds	____	____	$____
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Vanities	____	____	$____
Chairs	____	____	$____
Rugs or carpets	____	____	$____
Lamps	____	____	$____
Mirrors	____	____	$____
		Total cost new	$____

CLEANING

Household cleaning comes under two headings; first, dusting, polishing, and general maintenance of the house; and second, laundry work.

For the first, you need storage space for vacuum and carpet sweepers, brooms, mops, and miscellaneous items. If you plan utility closets, decide where they could best be placed.

Laundries no longer need be dark, steamy cubbyholes. Modern equipment makes laundries as smart and attractive as kitchens. Families vary in the amount of laundry work done at home; some prefer complete laundries with dryer, mangle, and washer, while others use commercial laundries for all or part of the job. You can have a compact laundry in connection with the kitchen, or in a separate utility room.

Utility rooms are becoming increasingly popular. They can be used for washing clothes, ironing, sewing, canning, and freezing, as well as for storage. They can be built adjoining the kitchen or in the basement. In a one-story house, the utility room usually houses the heating unit as well.

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SPAM* 'N' YAMS

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FROM THE HORMEL MENU FILES

Shallow casserole holds alternate layers of sliced boiled yams or sweet potatoes, sliced onions...topped with two Spam slices per serving. Add a cup of sweetened apple juice, dot potatoes with butter... salt, then bake covered at 375° till done.

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Can *You* guess her Age?

she's 31! she's 24! she's 26!

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IT'S HARD TO TELL the age of anyone whose skin is so beautiful. For isn't it true that it's the appearance of your skin that "dates" you?

No matter how lovely your skin is today, you should take the advice of many beauty experts and make every effort to see that your skin retains the natural moisture which gives it that peach-bloom glow of youth.

Protect the natural moisture of your skin by guarding against the things which dry out the skin: Neglect of proper skin care and too much exposure to winter's blustery winds and summer's hot, drying sun.

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Cleansing cream—A light, daintily-scented cleansing cream that tissues off easily. Liquefies as you smooth it on your skin. Leaves your complexion looking dewy-fresh and sparklingly clean. 60¢, plus tax.

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1. In which room do you prefer laundry equipment?
   - Basement ☐
   - Kitchen ☐
   - Utility room ☐
   - Other _____

2. In which part of the house do you want storage for cleaning equipment?
   - Living-room closet ☐
   - Kitchen closet ☐
   - Hall closet near bedrooms ☐
   - Other _____

3. What equipment will you move in or buy new?

	Move in	Buy new	Estimated cost if bought new
Nonautomatic washer	☐	☐	$_____
Automatic washer	☐	☐	$_____
Clothes dryer	☐	☐	$_____
Ironer	☐	☐	$_____
Vacuum cleaner	☐	☐	$_____
Water softener	☐	☐	$_____
Other	☐	☐	$_____
		Total cost new	$_____

STORAGE

Lack of storage space in existing homes is the major complaint of homemakers in every survey. The average household accumulates much part-time equipment over a period of years, and seldom is there adequate storage space for it. Fibber McGee's hall closet is no joke!

To keep any semblance of order, storage space should be carefully planned for out-of-season and in-season clothing, bathroom supplies, bedclothes, household cleaning equipment, canned food, books, toys, luggage, hobby and sports equipment, garden tools and furniture, automobiles, bicycles, screens, and storm sash. Storage units should be designed for efficient handling of specific items, located as near as possible to the point of use.

Clothes closets should be deep enough for garment bags, but not so deep that space which might be used to good advantage elsewhere is wasted. Built-in wardrobe trays and shoe racks make efficient use of space. Below, list household equipment you now have or expect to acquire, and plan where it is to be kept.

1. Where do you expect to store:

	Room
Garden tools?	_____
Garden furniture?	_____
Bicycles, large toys?	_____
Storm sash, screens?	_____
Workbench, tools?	_____
Sports equipment	_____

2. How many cars in your garage?
   - One car? ☐
   - Two cars? ☐

3. Where do you need built-in storage? Why?

	For storage of
Living area	_____
Dining area	_____
Cooking area	_____
Sleeping rooms	_____
Hobby room	_____
Garage	_____
Hall closet No. 1	_____
Hall closet No. 2	_____
Basement	_____
Attic	_____
Other	_____

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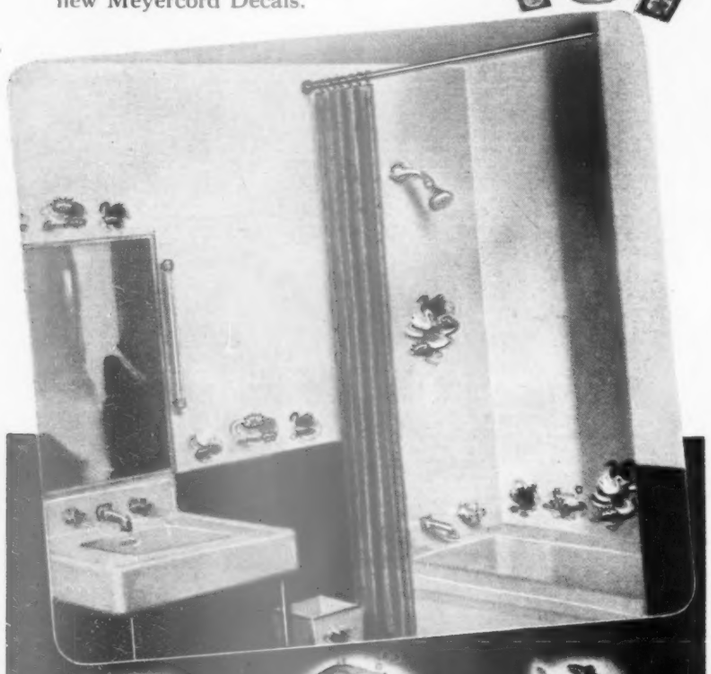

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SUMMARY

Now add up the rooms you have set forth as desirable, and you'll have a clear picture of the home you'd like to have.

When you've found a plan that most nearly fits those needs, have it checked by a competent builder for a cost estimate. Then make adjustments as needed to fit your budget, and you'll be well on the way to comfort and satisfaction in the home you build.

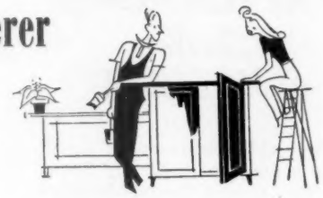
1. Total budget (see section on "Plan a Budget") . . . . . $_____
2. Building site (see section on "Plan a Budget")
   - Size . . . . . _____
   - Contour (rolling or level) . . . . . _____
3. Style of house (see section on "Style and Shape of House") . . . . . _____
4. Number of stories (see section on "Style and Shape of House") . . . . . _____
5. What type of rooms?

	Check if you want a
Living room	☐
Den	☐
Recreation room	☐
Hobby room	☐
Porch	☐
Terrace	☐
Combined living-dining room	☐
Dining room	☐
Combined dining room-kitchen	☐
Kitchen	☐
Breakfast nook	☐
Utility room	☐
Toilet rooms	
No. 1	☐
No. 2	☐
Bathrooms	
No. 1	☐
No. 2	☐
Bedrooms	
No. 1	☐
No. 2	☐
No. 3	☐
Garage	
Number of cars	_____
Attached to house	☐
Detached	☐

Additional copies of the Guide for Home Planners are available without charge in the Home Planning Centers of department stores cooperating in the *Better Homes & Gardens* Home Planning service program. The stores listed on page 131 will gladly assist you.

Song of a Putterer

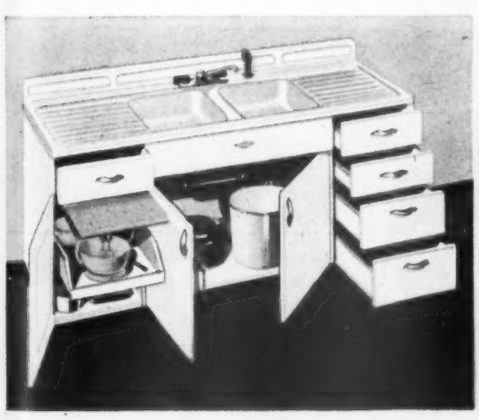
By Berton Braley



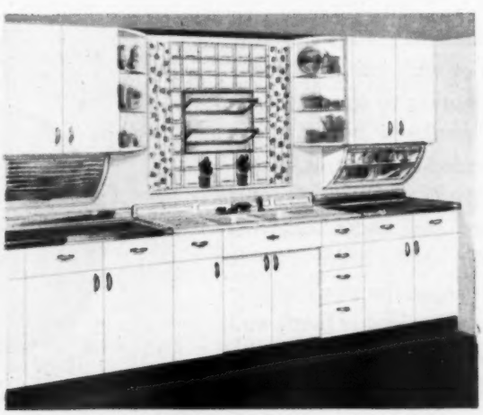
It will have to be admitted
That the boards are badly pitted
And the joints are not exactly well acquainted,
And the bevels do not bevel
And the surface isn't level
But you'll never know the difference when it's painted!

Exciting new kitchen! Surprising low price!

What a cheerful, pleasant room! And *your* kitchen can be just as attractive, just as easy to work in, when you replace your old-fashioned cabinets and sink with spotless white enameled steel Youngstown units. This modern equipment will fit your kitchen perfectly. Installation takes only a few hours, and the cost on F.H.A. terms will be *about $12 a month.*



Two-thirds of your kitchen work is done at or near the sink. You can do it much easier with this well planned Youngstown "Kitchenaider." The twin-bowl sink with porcelain enamel top simplifies dishwashing, the handy spray is a great convenience, and there is ample storage space. Installed for *as little as $3.75 a month.*



Add wall and floor cabinets within easy reach of the "Kitchenaider," and you have the beginning of a good-looking, work-saving kitchen. These well made steel cabinets come in many sizes and styles for any kitchen plan. The arrangement shown above, for a $6500 to $7500 home, can be purchased with all accessories for *less than $8 a month.*

JUST THINK how wonderful it would be to have a beautiful kitchen like this, right in your own home!

You *can* have it, now, without doing any expensive remodeling. It will be a Youngstown kitchen of gleaming white enameled steel, with a modern cabinet sink, plenty of space to work on, and large storage cabinets arranged so that every kitchen task is easier.

Top quality Youngstown units are made in many sizes to fit your kitchen perfectly, and *the entire cost will be far less than you thought you'd have to pay.*

Look at the prices given here for the finest kitchen equipment you can buy! How can Youngstown offer it for so little? Only because Youngstown cabinet sinks and cabinets are produced in quantity, in the traditional American way.

Like everything else you buy for your home, your purchase of Youngstown equipment helps maintain national prosperity by keeping men and dollars at work.

You'll have a grand time planning your exciting new kitchen with Youngstown equipment! We have just printed a colorful, practical 20-page booklet, full of ideas and suggestions that show you how to do it. You also get 46 miniature cut-outs of cabinet sinks and cabinets.

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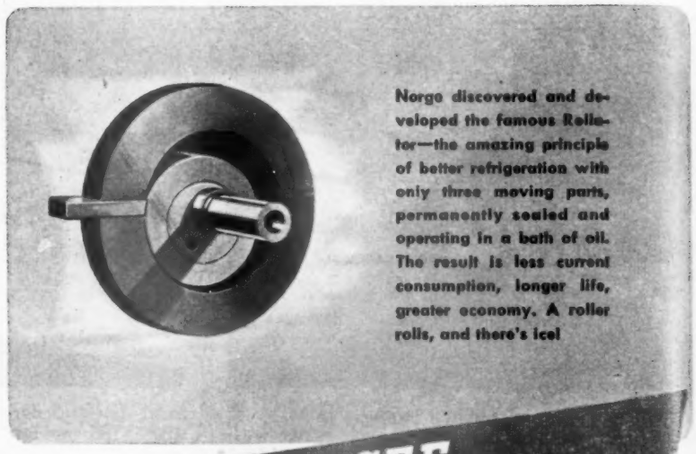

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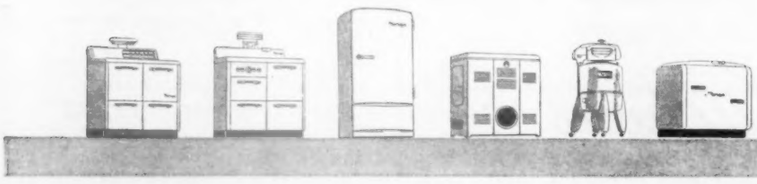

Young Mothers' Exchange

Housing Shortage Hints

TRAILERS, quonset huts, dinky apartments—even tents—are serving as temporary homes for young married couples during the present housing shortage. Whether doubled up with relatives or living in the confines of a remodeled filling station, Young Mothers are learning to get along with less space, to appreciate habits of neatness.

"Cramped quarters behoove us to give much thought to the versatility of each piece of furniture or equipment," Mrs. V. D. Oakley of Oklahoma City writes us. "When there's a child in the family, so many things are needed for his comfort and welfare that you almost have to be a magician to find room for everything.

"I discovered that an automobile baby seat can be very handy indoors. While I'm in the living room, I like to have the baby with me, both to enjoy his company and to save time and steps. The auto seat, which my 7-month-old son likes very much, will fit over the back of the sofa or any other piece of upholstered furniture. The baby especially likes to swing from the back of the platform rocker, because the movements of his body cause the chair to rock. He exercises his legs and is ready for a nap when the time comes."

No Drawer Space. I purchased a large-size, wicker wash hamper, round, with two handles and a cover. About three feet high, it fits snugly into a corner of Baby's room and holds extra bedding, out-of-season clothing, and the mosquito bar used each night. The hamper cost only $2.50 and will be easy to convert to other uses.—*Mrs. M. Goldberg, New Orleans.*

Indoor Clothesline. In a tiny apartment with limited laundry facilities, I turned my card table upside down and strung heavy cord from one leg to the next. This gave me enough line space for Baby's special daily washing, and could be set in the warmest spot.—*Mrs. Blanche L. Southern, Greenville, S. C.*

Collapsible Playroom. Don't discard your baby's playpen after he has outgrown it. The sides are easily removed in one long section and can be placed across one corner of a room to make an excellent playroom with plenty of space for activity. —*Mrs. C. W. Baldwin, Florence, Ore.*

Special Towel Rack. My baby's bath and feeding are followed immediately by the family's dinner, which leaves me no time to straighten up the bathroom. My husband made a special towel rack small enough to fit under the sink, and with special features to simplify disposal of clothing and toilet articles. The sides are two boards, one with a little shelf for soap and powder, the other with a clothes hook attached. Rungs on top hold my bath apron and my son's towels and washcloths. Just below the shelf, I thumbtacked a little box for his tiny (and so elusive!) socks. We enameled the rack blue, and added two small rollers underneath so we could move it around to accommodate the dressing and bath routine.—*Mrs. W. A. Resch, Jr., Louisville, Ky.*

Crib Contentment. Our very small quarters didn't allow room for a baby's playpen. I made an attractive drawstring bag to hang on one corner of his crib, and filled it with small toys, spoons, pans, rattles, and other colorful objects. The baby can always reach in and pull out something to keep him happy in his crib, yet the toys aren't scattered around.—*Mrs. F. D. Eyer, Oklahoma City.*

Folding Table. For our 3-year-old daughter, we cut down the legs of an old card table and applied bunny decals on the top. Much less expensive than buying a child's table, it folds up out of the way and is easy to move.—*Mrs. L. C. Bartholomew, Centerville, Iowa.*

Closet Neatness. My little girls (aged 2 and 4) learned to hang up their clothes and keep them neat after we fixed a closet for them. I cut down the cardboard hangers we got from the dry cleaners during the past few years, painted them, and added decals. My husband installed a special rod in the closet, low enough for the girls to reach. Now they take pride in hanging up their dresses at night and when I iron them, and get and return their own coats when playing outdoors. It saves me many steps.—*Mrs. Margaret B. Webb, Springdale, Ky.*

Super Toy Chest. Army foot lockers make sturdy toy chests that can be pushed under a bed out of the way. The one we fixed is painted white with red handles, and has lively animals (decals) chasing one another across the top.—*Mrs. E. Dean Peterson, Fruitland, Idaho.*

Bib Rack. To keep bibs out of the way, my husband cut a wooden towel bar to fit across the back of our baby's high chair. Now our young children's bibs hang out of sight when not in use.—*Mrs. R. J. Born, Evanston, Ill.*

For Children Only. Not having space for a full-sized bulletin board in my children's room, I put up a long strip of fiberboard (¾" wide), holding it in place with a small nail at either end. Cutouts and magazine pictures can be tacked up at the right height for children. Later it will be used to display their school papers and drawings.—*Mrs. J. H. Walliser, North Hollywood.*

▶ Let's hear from more Young Mothers who have good ideas or experiences to pass on. Two dollars will be paid for each one used, but none can be acknowledged or returned. Address *Better Homes & Gardens*, 8305 Meredith Bldg., Des Moines 3, Iowa.

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Spring House-Cleaning Roundup

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if kept up off the ground on a concrete slab.—Mrs. K. J. S., McPherson, Kansas.

▶ To save daily washing of ash trays, wax them. Ashes won't cling, odor won't linger, and disposable tissue will wipe them clean.—I. L. B., New York, New York.

▶ In order to keep my set of dishes clean and ready for extra guests, I rotate them. After washing dishes, I put them on the bottom of their respective stack. On one evening and on Sunday, I serve dinner in my best china and glassware to keep it freshly cleaned in the same way. My family enjoys the change, too! —Mrs. J. A., Zanesville, Ohio.

▶ Each weekly cleaning day, I give furniture, windows, pictures, and mirrors in one room a special polishing. This way, I never have to set aside a special day for such tasks.—Mrs. W. E. M., Charlotte, Michigan.

▶ I use the vacuum attachment for removing powder and crumbs from drawers, toaster, range crevices, and typewriter.—H. T., San Francisco, California.

▶ After a busy sewing day, the rug is likely to have a number of pins and needles sticking to it. To avoid damaging your vacuum cleaner, tie a magnet to a stout string and drag it over the rug. It will locate pins and needles more quickly than you can. —K. N., Los Angeles, California.

▶ Three inexpensive scrub brushes make a good foot scraper for muddy weather. Tack one, back down, bristles up; the others on end, one on each side.—Mrs. W. F., Rolling Hill, Virginia.

1946 Refrigerators

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are newcomers who for years have been chalking up valuable experience in the specialized fields of soda fountains and institutional refrigeration. Other new name plates have come about thru consolidation of companies.

When you don't recognize the name of a refrigerator or know the manufacturer's reputation, be doubly confident of the utility company, dealer, or department store from which you buy. Make sure of its ability to service your equipment if you run into mechanical or operating difficulties. Some manufacturers offer a five-year protection plan, also a year warranty.

Remember, you buy a refrigerator principally for food storage. It must be dependable. It must keep the correct temperature. It must keep your food safe.

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New Under the Sun

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Special horticultural grades of vermiculite are now available at seed stores, or you can buy the house-insulating grade from a builder's supply dealer and screen out the undesirable coarser particles.

Snapping asparagus saves time. You save time and increase next year's yield of asparagus by snapping off only the tender parts of the spear instead of cutting spears at the ground.

Michigan State College

Asparagus ready to be snapped

The spear is held near the tip and bent over until it snaps off. According to Professor Keith C. Barrons of Michigan State College, the break will occur at the place where the tough part of the spear begins. Under the familiar cutting method, nearly one-half the asparagus eventually goes into the garbage.

Because less plant material is removed, yields the next year are increased when asparagus is harvested by the new method.

How to Repair Screens

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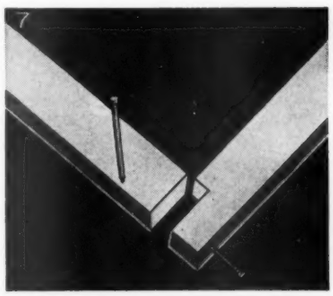

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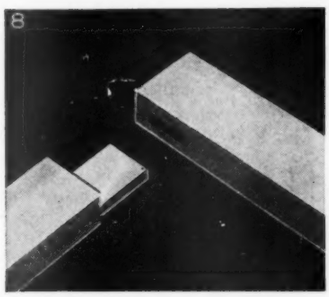

8. Best screen-frame construction calls for a mortise-and-tenon joint. This method, is recommended only if power tools are available.

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We'd like to include *you* in our Christmas editorial plans, and we *can*, too, if you'll send in your very best **Holiday Stuffing** secrets, your most toothsome **Yuletide Sweets**—*now*! If your recipe is a winner in the Cooks' Contest, you'll receive a cash award, besides becoming a part of our magazine family of contributors, seeing your name and favorite recipe in print, and giving 2,650,000 families a grand, new dish to try. If yours is the Dish-of-the-Month in our gala December issue, for you there will be $10 and a written tribute; for each of the 20 closest contenders there is $3 and an Honor Roll listing.

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Yuletide Sweets—What will you choose as season's sweets besides bowls of hard candies? Share with us that tempting tidbit, Christmas-candy treat, short-on-sugar sweet you're famous for! The recipe you send can be your favorite nut brittle, butterscotch, chocolate, toffee, or caramel toothsome treasure. Or maybe you know a new flair for fondant, fudge, divinity, panocha, or nougat that you can pass on—a fascinating flavor, a creamier consistency, a fruity filling. If you have a recipe for a clever cereal sweet, peppermint patties, popcorn puffs, gay lollypops, send that!

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For other brand-new ways with chicken and eggs, congratulations to you 20 good cooks on the Honor Roll, and a $3 check to each of you. On pages 57 and 58 we see, in all their glory, delicious Chicken Dinner in a Dish, golden Scrambled Eggs—Honolulu Style, juicy Chicken Braised in Barbecue Sauce, fluffy Savory Eggs, tasty, brown Chicken Croquettes, and hearty Eggs Scrambled With Rice. They're such good things to eat!

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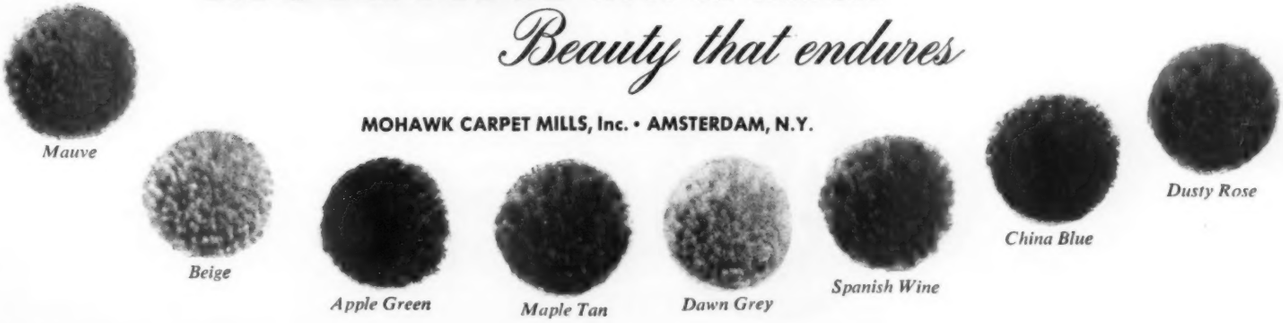

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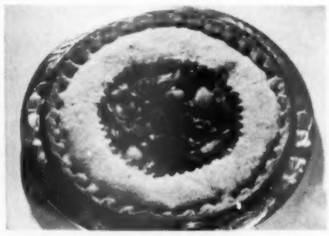
A Little Crust Goes a Long Way

By the Tasting-Test Kitchen Staff

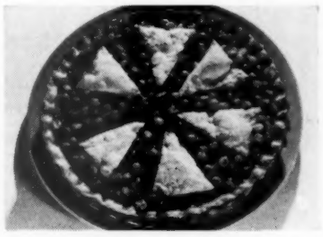
WELCOME to the pies of spring! They're rosy red and luscious with fresh strawberries, cherries, and rhubarb. And it's not too warm for a fine potpie of veal or ham. If you're shy on shortening and sugar, here's help. Pastry toppers can be as brief as a tiny spring bonnet, yet give the effect of a real covering. Leftover crust can appear as cheese straws or open-face jelly tarts for tomorrow's dessert. So sweeten fruit with corn sirup, and follow our tips for making a little shortening go a long, long way by using bits of pastry for pie tops. Don't waste a smidgen.

Bursting Star. Line piepan with pastry, ½ inch beyond rim; fold under, press with fork tines. Roll out a 6-inch round of pastry. Cut in eight wedge-shaped pieces. Fill pie with apple slices, overlapping the top layer of pieces. Arrange the pastry star on top of the fruit. Bake.

Pastry Ripples. Trim lower crust at rim of pan. Roll pastry into 4- by 9-inch oblong. Cut lengthwise with pastry crimper into 8 strips ½ inch wide. Fill pie. Moisten edge. Crisscross with 4 pastry ripples. Join remaining strips for border if you like. Center with pastry rosette.

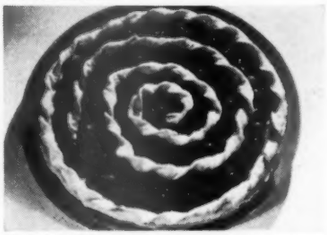


Potpie Wreath. Roll ½ recipe of pastry ½ inch larger than deep piepan. With pastry crimper cut 4-inch round from center. (Quarter this, bake for jelly tarts or use as topper for another pie.) Top hot, meat mixture with pastry wreath; flute edges of crust. Brown in oven.

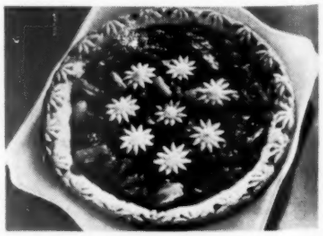


Cherry Wedgies. Roll lower crust, and arrange in piepan; trim pastry with scissors ½ inch beyond rim. Fold edge under and flute with fingers. Roll remaining pastry into 6-inch round. Cut in sixths. Heap pie shell with red cherry filling. Top with piecrust wedgies. Pop into oven.

Wesley Bowman



Spiral Twist. Line piepan with pastry, and trim at the rim. Roll the trimmings and remaining pastry into a rectangle. Cut long strips about ¾ inch wide. Moisten ends and join strips together. Fill pie shell with cherries. Twist pastry strip and swirl around moistened crust edge and on top of fruit. Bake.



Daisy Chain. Line pan; trim at edge. Cut 18 1-inch stars from remaining pastry. Fill pie shell, sprinkle 8 stars atop. Cut other stars in half and arrange around edge. Or roll full top crust; cut daisies from center to top one pie and use perforated ring for another. Bake rhubarb pie 450° 10 minutes 350°, ½ hour.

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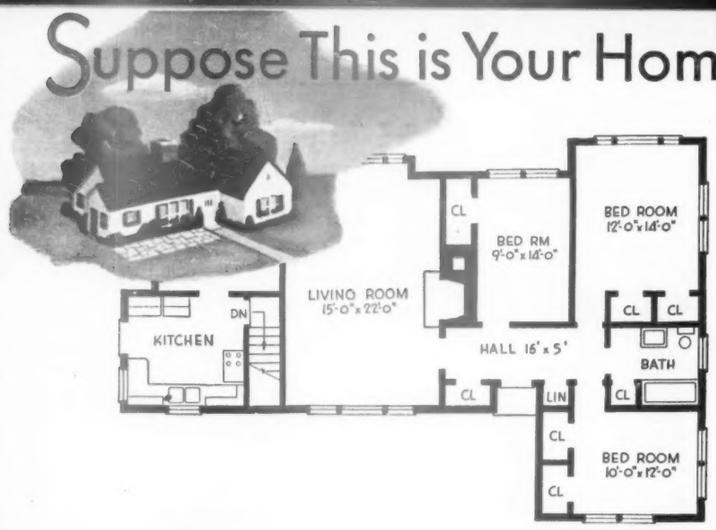

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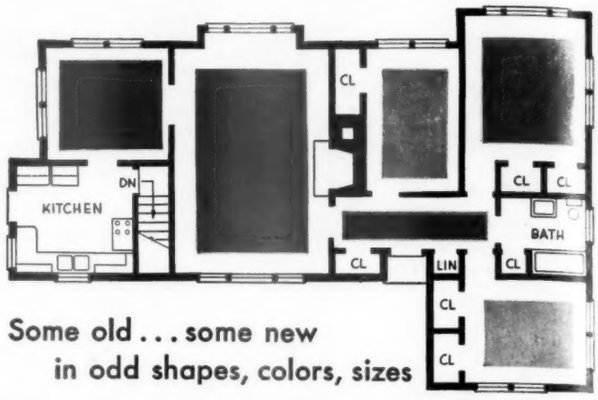

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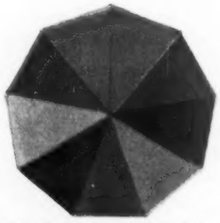

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20,000 Children Die Needlessly

By Daisy Jenney Clay

ANY accident to a child is bad, but it is doubly tragic if it could have been prevented. Last year, more than 20,000 children were fatally injured in the United States. Some of them would be alive today if their parents had used more forethought.

A friend said to me, "Oh, I'd be so nervous if I were always thinking what *might* happen to my child!" She went her carefree way—then suffered a nervous breakdown when, thru her nonchalance, her little son was badly burned. How much less worrisome it would have been to have considered possible mishaps and taken all practical steps to prevent them! Then, if something happens in spite of your efforts, you at least know you've done your best.

In our home, we follow the "ounce-of-prevention" policy, and we never have had an accident more serious than a cut finger. This may have been due to good fortune, of course, but I believe it is partly because of forethought.

I'm not urging you to be a fussy "Don't-do-that-or-you'll-get-hurt" kind of parent. Children held back from ordinary rough-and-tumble miss not only lots of fun but the chance to develop self-confidence, the ability to take care of themselves. But there still are many risks that aren't necessary.

1. Children love to play with china or glass toys, and there are many for sale. Empty bottles, too, are a great fascination. Altho they make fine playthings, they are potential death-dealers when broken.

2. Youngsters, unwatched, go around with all sorts of sharp things in their hands. Disfigured and blinded eyes have resulted from falls on forks. Kitchen knives and pocketknives also are more of a menace to the eyes than to the fingers. Older children, who should be allowed to use knives and shears, can be trained to carry them point downward. Nor are lollipops as innocent as they seem. More than one child has fallen upon a sucker stick and punctured a tonsil or the roof of his mouth.

3. Don't let your child be a victim of scalding. When drawing bath water, let the cold flow in first, so that the tub is never filled with hot water. At the table, keep cups of hot tea or coffee beyond reach of the small child.

4. All too frequent disasters caused by children handling firearms can be prevented by one simple means: Keep guns carefully locked up, the key out of reach.

5. Electric shock, always more serious to a toddler than to an adult, sometimes is fatal to children. Don't let them plug and unplug light fixtures—it's a dangerous form of play.

6. Most children have no hesitation about petting strange dogs, which occasionally may respond with a bite. On the other hand, we don't want to make our children fear dogs by giving them too many warnings. Better to tell a child, "The dog doesn't know you. It might make him scared or cross to have a stranger pet him."

7. Tots should never play unwatched in or near water, whether it's lake or bathtub. Two inches is sufficient for drowning. Older children, even those who can swim, should play only where there is a qualified lifeguard. Even then, accidents can happen, since it's impossible for a guard to check on each member of a milling, plunging, yelling mob of youngsters such as we see at pool or beach. The safest plan is the "buddy system"—pairs of swimmers keeping tab on each other and summoning help if needed.

8. Frequently we see a child standing up on the front seat of a car while his mother or father drives. A sudden stop would mean a painful fall and bruises, if not more serious injuries.

9. The danger we most fear for our children is from traffic. We dread the time when they reach school age and must brave the streets alone. There *is* a guardian they can have with them at all times—habit. But it must be nurtured for weeks and months before we trust the children alone. Too often parents, when walking with toddlers, assume all responsibility while crossing streets, letting the children follow us unthinkingly. Then when the child reaches school age and must travel alone, we attempt to instill the habit of watchful crossing by saying over and over, "Now look out for cars!" Such an admonition is often forgotten, and we see small children darting across the street without looking.

We see other children, however, who automatically pause, look both ways and over their shoulders before walking across a street. These are the ones who have been trained previously by their mothers or fathers. For a year before children are old enough to travel alone on the streets, let them have the responsibility of giving the "go" or "stop" signal when you walk together. They will enjoy being the "traffic policeman" at each corner. Train them, too, not to chat while crossing, but to "tend to business" until safely at the other side.

CHILDREN cannot be asked to bear full responsibility for carefulness and precaution. If admonished too much, they may become nervous and timid. Besides, the best-trained child occasionally forgets. It is the mother or father who must cheerfully and calmly—and with as little comment as possible—arrange the child's activities to make them reasonably safe.

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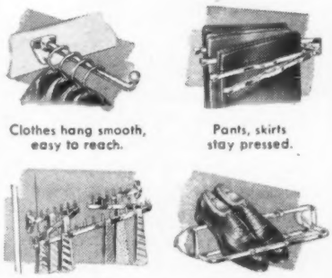

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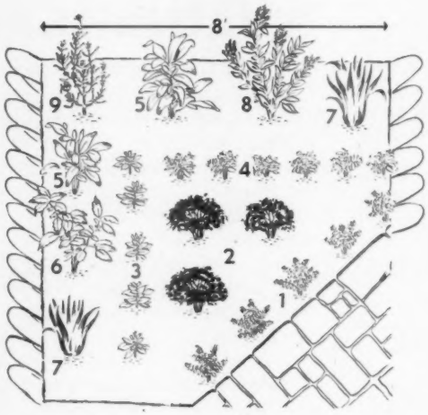
4 Ways to Grow a Pantry Outdoors

By Beatrice Morgan Putnam

SOUP is one thing. But make it from fat red tomatoes, and whisk sprigs of basil straight from your garden thru it, and it's quite another. With that you hit a new gustatory high, a flavor ensemble as right as ham and eggs.

Salad out of your garden—made of red-ripe tomatoes and plump, green peppers, crisp lettuce and radishes—that's a delicious thing. But chop in some chives or borage and you'll find that *is* a salad.

SO HERE we're showing you some small salad-and-soup gardens whose goal is taste—taste and dewy-freshness straight from the fertile earth. They'll add new zest to some of your favorites.



Condiment Corner. Go on an adventure in flavors. Tuck a few of these delectables into a sunny corner near the kitchen steps, along the breezeway or along the fence. Because this herb garden is an outdoor condiment cabinet, keep it as close to the kitchen as possible, or connect it with some sort of walk, because you'll go snipping spicy sprigs on rainy days, too.

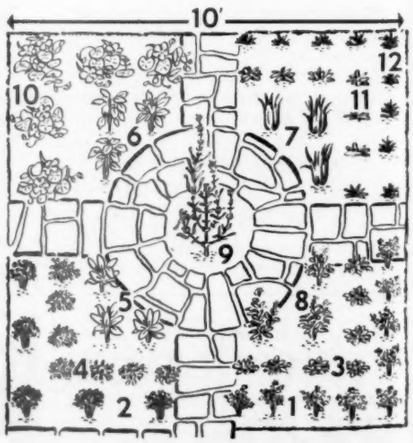
KEY TO HERB GARDEN

P = Perennial **A** = Annual

Space perennial herbs 1½ to 2 feet apart to allow for increase in size of clumps. Space annuals according to directions on seed packets.

1. THYME. P. Start plants or seeds of Garden Thyme.
2. PARSLEY. A. Grow from seed. Champion Moss Curled most decorative variety.
3. SWEET BASIL. A. Probably easiest of all to grow from seed.
4. SUMMER SAVORY. A. From seed.
5. SAGE. P. Start with plant, increase with cuttings.
6. MINT. P. Peppermint, spearmint, and orangemint preferred by most. Start with plant but enclose roots in bottomless box or crock to prevent spreading.
7. CHIVES. P. One plant or clump to start.
8. TARAGON. P. French. From plants only. In cold climates give protection, or winter in coldframe.
9. LAVENDER. P. (Vera, or True.) Start with plant. Increase with cuttings.
10. NASTURTIUMS. A. Grow quickly from seed.
11. SWEET MARJORAM. A. Plants or seeds (slow germinating).
12. CHERVIL. A. Plant seeds where it is to grow and thin to 9 inches.

Savory Square. If your herb garden must stand on its own, decoratively speaking, play it up, make it a feature. Divide it with dry walks or steppingstones for accessibility. As herb flavors grow on you—and your cooking reputation soars—you'll learn to snip a leaf of this and a branch of that as casually as you now reach for salt and pepper. Snip and tie bunches to dry for winter. Get a book of herb recipes, experiment—and revel in exhilarating new flavor sensations. [*Turn to page 116*



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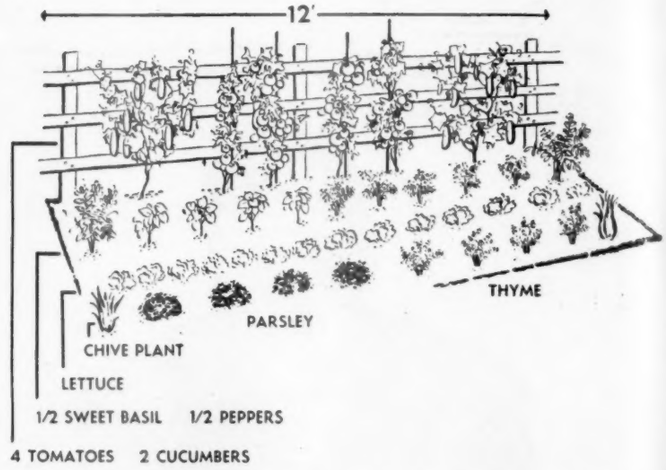
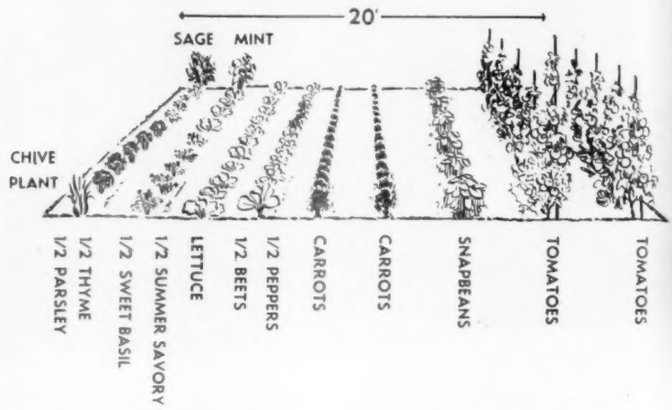


Flavorings by the Row. This border is both esthetic and edible. Keep it working all summer with repeat and interplantings. At each end of the basil and pepper row, set a single plant of sage or mint. Set chives on each end of the parsley-thyme row. Grow a crop of early radishes between the tomatoes. Replace lettuce with more lettuce, Chinese cabbage, or endive. Plant onion sets between the slow-growing parsley and thyme. Pot some herbs to enjoy during the winter. Keep chives and parsley more moist than most house plants and they'll thrive in a moderately sunny window. Make a late planting of basil for winter use—old plants insist on blooming.



Back-Door Grocery. This green grocery is designed to supply salad vegetables, the kind whose garden-freshness is all-important to flavor and vitamins. Because perennial herbs shouldn't be disturbed except for occasional dividing, it's a good idea to group them by themselves to avoid damage by plow or spade. Here the two front rows—excepting parsley—are perennials, and conveniently placed on the kitchen side of the garden. Make second plantings and interplanting to increase yield. Snap beans may be replaced with Chinese cabbage or endive—both improved by early frosts—or late lettuce.

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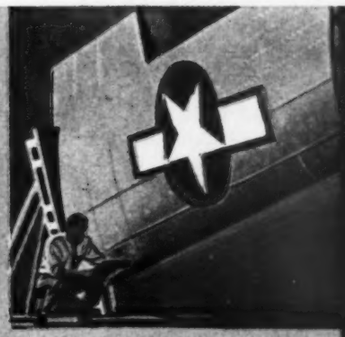

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YOUR DOG AND MINE

How Well Do You Treat Your Dog?

By Russell K. Lowry

THERE'S no getting around it. A dog is all things to the one he loves, all things that are fine and noble. He holds nothing back. Guile does not fit into his world.

In exchange for a little food and an occasional pat, he delivers a full measure of adoration, obedience, fidelity, sympathy, gratitude, valor, and fortitude. All of which means he'll die gracefully and gladly for the object of his affections (that's you!) at the drop of a hat.

That's a lot for a little. But any dog owner will tell you it's true.

NOW—how do you reciprocate? What do you give in exchange for this devotion that you couldn't buy with all the money in the world?

How well do you feed your dog? Do you scrape up leavings from your table, some of which are injurious to a dog's stomach (such as potatoes, fresh bread, cabbage, fried onions, macaroni, chicken bones, fishbones, excessive fats)? Do you unceremoniously dump these scraps on the basement floor, in the yard, or in some other unsanitary place that's a breeding ground for deadly germs and parasites?

On chicken and fishbones, it's well to remember a dog can't digest these—they'll sometimes puncture the lining of the stomach. And never throw a dog's food on the ground. More than 90 percent of all parasites and germs seek vegetable matter, such as soil, rubbish, or decayed wood for the first stages of their development. Your troubles begin when these tiny larvae or microscopic eggs of worms are lapped up unknowingly by your hungry dog.

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▶ **To prevent car-sickness in your dog, administer 3 to 5 grains of sodium bromide about 30 minutes before you start on your trip.**

▶ **Kill worm eggs by sprinkling a brine and strong-soap solution in a run, or around the doghouse. Apply twice weekly. Use 4 cups of coarse salt (ice-cream salt), 1 bar of soap, 6 quarts of water.**

Do you feed your dog when the fancy strikes you, often going 'way beyond his regular feeding time or sometimes skipping this chore altogether, thru forgetfulness?

How well do you "sleep" your dog? Do you shunt him off to an unkempt corner of the garage, to make the best of an old rug or box? Do you exile him to a damp basement at night, forcing him to find a resting place on the cement floor? Is your doghouse full of drafty cracks, with some of the sideboards missing? How long has it been since that old blanket he's sleeping on last saw the washtub?

A dog spends a great deal of his life sleeping. He needs, above all, a dry, clean, well-ventilated (but not drafty) bed—big enough so he can stretch out at full length, for luxurious groaning and sighing.

Is your dog cooped up all day [*Turn to page 126*

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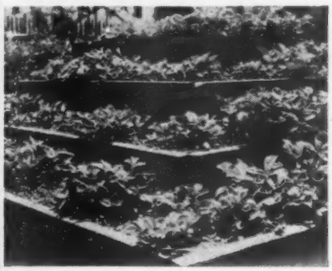
Better Than a Barrel

By Lorena Ann Olmsted

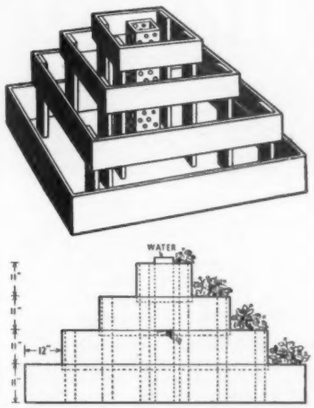
Strawberry pyramid produces a quart of fruit each day



My strawberry pyramid requires a space only 6 feet square, is productive from May until early frost

LUSCIOUS home-grown strawberries can be yours if you have an outdoor space 6 feet square for a strawberry pyramid. Last year I picked strawberries daily from May until frost. Years ago when Grandmother filled a barrel with soil and planted strawberries in holes drilled in the sides, she was necessarily limited to growing only a few plants. But a 4-tier pyramid, 6 feet square at the base, will produce a real supply of fruit.

Lumber for my pyramid cost less than $6, and it was put together in a single evening in our basement shop. I used redwood lumber because it resists rotting, but other lumber can be used if treated with a wood preservative nontoxic to plants.



To make a pyramid like mine, make the successive frames 6 by 6 foot, 5 by 5 foot, 4 by 4 foot, and 3 by 3 foot, and support each by posts which reach to the ground to make the base of each tier 11 inches higher than the next lower tier.

Build an irrigator column 6 inches square and 45 inches long. Drill half-inch holes about 6 inches apart on all 4 sides to allow the water to get into the soil at different levels when the column is installed vertically in the center of the pyramid and filled with water.

To plant, use rich garden loam and fill the frames completely. Soak, and allow the soil to settle for 24 hours. Refill and resoak as many times as necessary until soil remains at proper level for planting.

Set vigorous plants 12 inches apart in a single row in each frame, using only the best young plants. Competition for food and water is keen when roots are confined to such a small area.

I prefer Rock Hill and Oregon Plum strawberries for my pyramid at Sacramento, California, but you should choose the varieties best adapted to local climate and soil.

Feed and water often. Rapid absorption of water and plant food by the mass of roots in the restricted soil area soon leads to starvation if water and plant food are not used liberally. If your soil is somewhat sandy, plan to refill the irrigator column each day during strawberry season. Plant food may be added to this water once a week—or you can dissolve plant food in water and apply directly to the base of the plants.

Protect in winter. The pyramid pictured is 2 years old and was not protected by a mulch during the winter. Where winters are cold, a mulch of coarse hay or straw is recommended. Strawberries resist cold well, but are rapidly heaved out of the soil by alternate freezing and thawing of soil that isn't mulched.

Gauge for Planters

Here's a homemade gauge to help get your plants in the right place when you're ready to plant trees and shrubs. My gauge came from 10 minutes' work on a 4-foot piece of 1- by 6-inch scrap lumber. You can make yours any length needed: I was planting a hedge. *James Callahan, Lincoln, Nebr.*

Locate the first plant in the row and plant it. Before digging the next hole, fit end of gauge to this marker plant and push stake into ground at other end of gauge, and mark center position where plant is to be set. Remove gauge and dig hole. Then replace gauge, fit the plant into center slot, and fill in with soil. Repeat until planting of row is completed.

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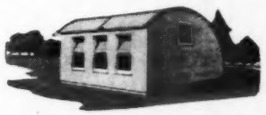

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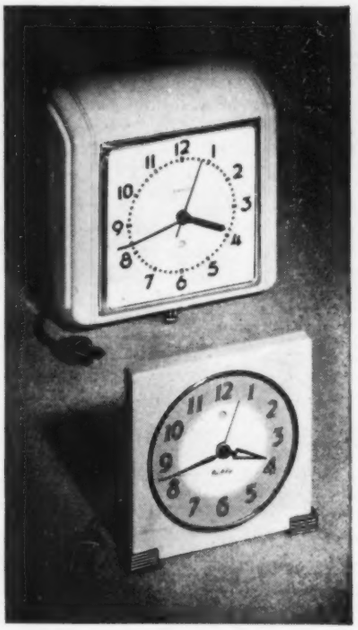

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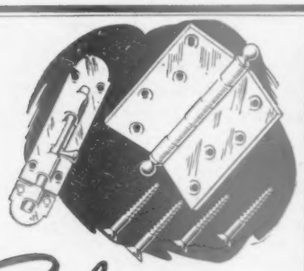

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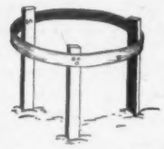
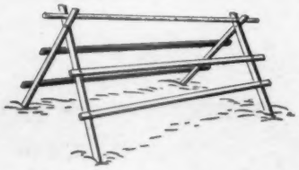
A 2x2-inch stake, about 6 feet long, is driven a foot into ground. A 1-inch-wide strip of strong cloth is looped loosely at leaf joints on tomato plant to prevent sag. Prune to a single stem



Wooden hoop is nailed to three 2 x 2-inch stakes. Stakes are driven into soil until hoop is 18 inches above ground. Plant rests on hoop



"A" truss will support a double row of plants, each pruned to one, two, or three stems. Some tying will be necessary. Make the truss 4 feet long, 3 feet wide, 4 feet high

Post trellis uses No. 10 wire at top, lighter wire 6 inches above ground. String supports for plants are knotted to top and bottom wires. Plants are tied to strings or woven among them. Guy wires go either inside or outside of the end posts

Light wooden stakes or bamboo poles may be thrust into ground and leaned against a wall to form a support—but only if wall faces south. Strong cloth (as in top sketch) holds plants to stakes. Note: Pinch out growing tips when vines outgrow any of these supports

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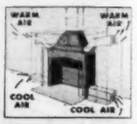

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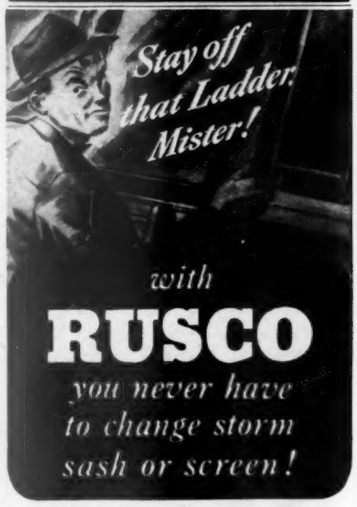

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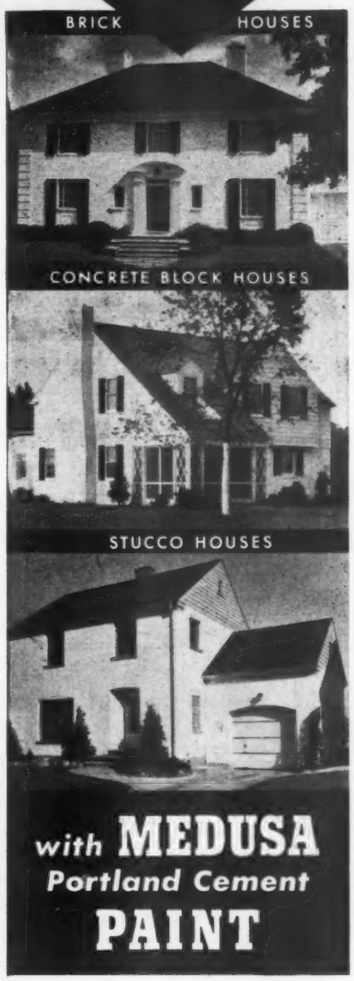

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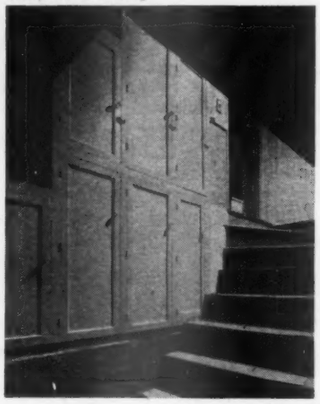

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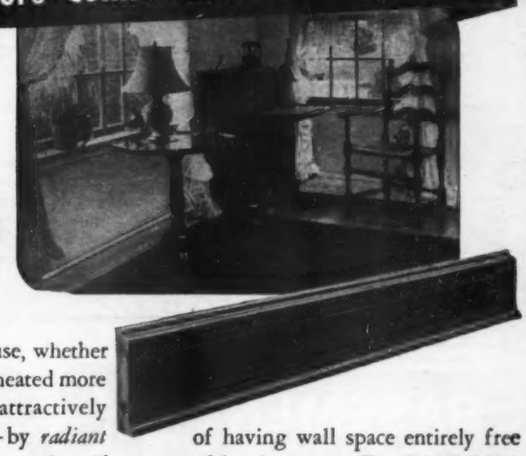

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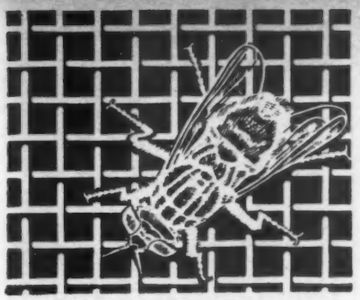

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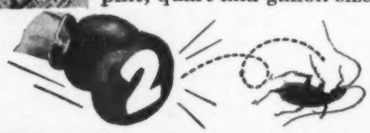

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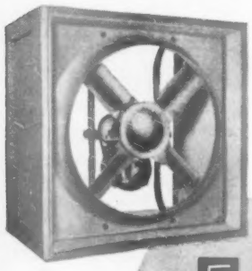

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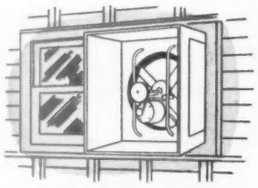

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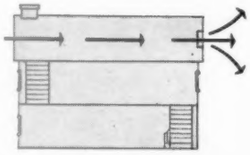

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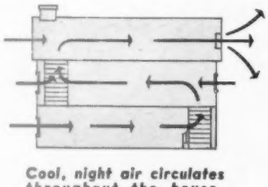

Cool, night air circulates throughout the house. Walls, ceilings, floors and furnishings are cooled.

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The Peonies Men Grow!

[*Begins on page 28*]

flower. Croesus had nothing on you, not when you're handing out big, fluffy, red, pink, and white blooms at the office. Or again, come September, when you're trading fat root divisions.

Even the main planting time for peonies could scarcely be improved upon. The marigolds and petunias are just thru anyway. The September sun feels good on your back as you fork the soil over, whack it sharply, and reach for those substantial divisions, each a thick prong spreading out from the pink buds that mean so many good stems next May.

SO THE main trouble with peonies lies in finding room for all you'd like. The lists that follow are much too short. The stock of new varieties is always scarce and correspondingly expensive. But every peony named here, new or old, is quality stuff.

Beginner's list of high-rating but inexpensive peonies
- Baroness Schroeder—blush-white, double
- Mons. Jules Elie—light-pink, bomb type
- Felix Crousse—silky, bright-crimson, double
- Souvenir de Louis Bigot—salmon-pink, double
- Madame Jules Dessert—pale-pink, double
- Mikado—dark crimson and yellow, anemone shape
- Therese—light rosy-pink, double, rates at top

Giant blooms
- Martha Bulloch—pink
- Mons. Jules Elie—silvery pink
- Oliver F. Brand—light lilac
- June Giant—late red

Dwarf
- Flower Girl—white, double
- Rosalie—rose-red, double
- Molly Pitcher—flesh-pink, double
- Tiny Tim—bright red
- Lucky Star—red, double
- Virginia Dare—white, single
- Peggy—salmon, double
- Polly Prim—white, double

Very late
- A. B. Franklin—blush-white, double
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- Onondaga—dark red, double
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- Prairie Afire—red and pink anemone
- Sword Dance—red and yellow anemone
- Kansas—rosy-red, double

Yellow in effect
- Moonglow—double
- Carolina Moon—early, double, near-yellow
- Golden Bracelet—double center, yellow guard petals
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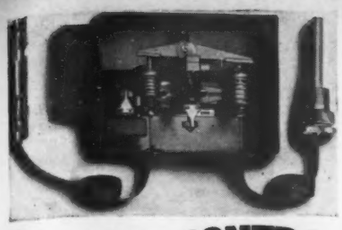

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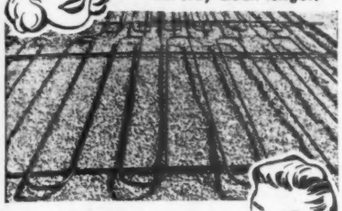

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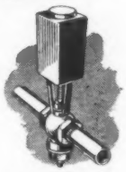

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Marilla Beauty—blush-white, double
Judy Becker—rich red, double
Carolyne Mae Nelson—dark red, double

What Do You Know About Health?

[ANSWERS to Questions on page 66]

1. Chicken pox. **2.** Whooping cough. **3.** Chance discovery of Sir Alexander Fleming, a British scientist. **4.** Cancer. **5.** All are usually preventable. **6.** Cancer. **7.** 17 years. **8.** Lack of Vitamin D. **9.** Rheumatic fever. **10.** Contact with human carriers of the germ. **11.** Typhoid fever, smallpox, tetanus, typhus, yellow fever, cholera, plague. **12.** 1–b Louis Pasteur, prevention of rabies. 2–e Bela Schick, development of test to determine immunity to diphtheria. 3–d Alexis Carrel, invention of the mechanical heart. 4–a Madame Curie, discovery of radium. 5–c Wilhelm Roentgen, discovery of the X-ray. **13.** True. **14.** False. (What about Vitamin D from sunlight?) **15.** False. **16.** False. The enamel of the teeth is. **17.** True. **18.** True. **19.** False. **20.** True. **21.** False. **22.** True.

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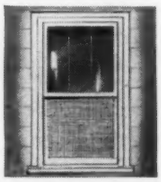

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Identities of three of the garden enemies pictured in last month's *Better Homes & Gardens* were scrambled. Please turn to page 37 of your April issue and renumber these paragraphs: 3 to 9, 9 to 11, and 11 to 3.

High Comfort at Low Cost

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rainstorm, unloading may conveniently be done from within the garage.

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From the dining space, a doorway leads to the bedroom and bathroom hall. The bathroom is divided into two compartments, each with its own entrance, so it may be used by two persons at once, but back-to-back installation of fixtures reduces plumbing costs.

A child's bedroom or guest room is behind the bathroom, and across the hall is a larger bedroom for the owners' use. Placing the bedrooms at the rear of the house insures privacy as well as quiet. Both bedrooms have commodious wardrobes with sliding doors, and there's a deep linen closet in the hall.

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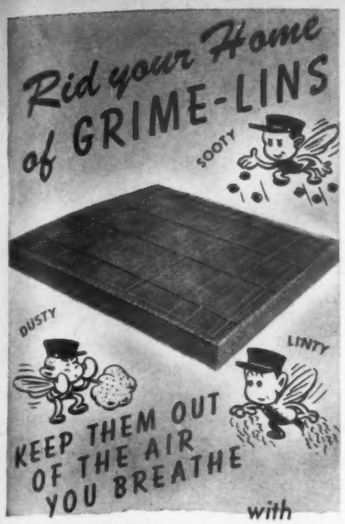

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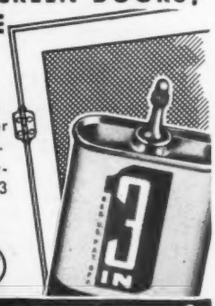

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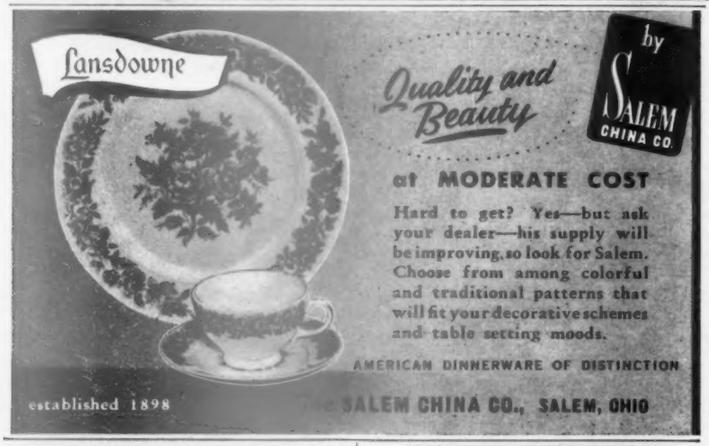

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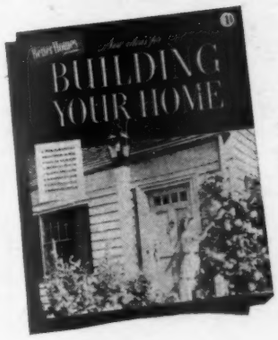

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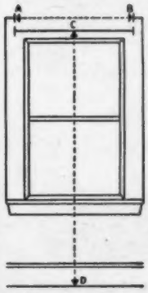

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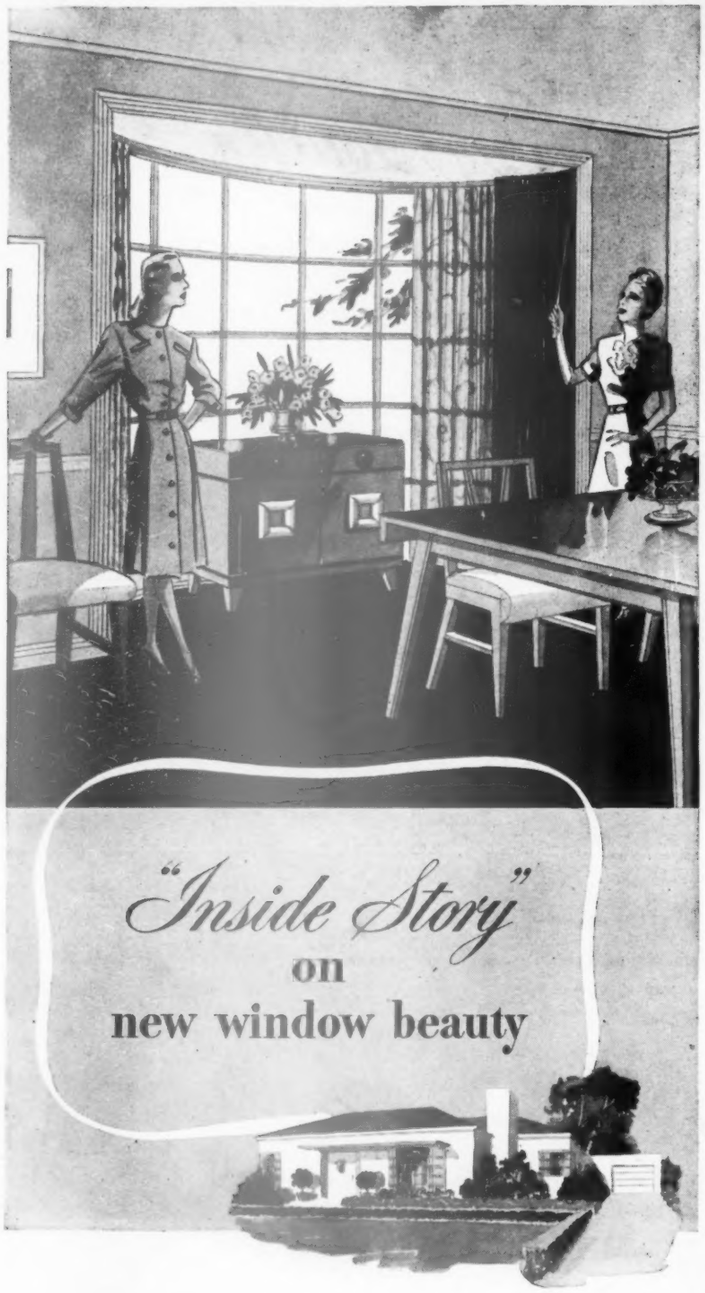

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By Mary Brown Sherer

WE spent a night in our guest room, while our own bedroom was being painted.

In this snug little anchorage, awash with white organdy, the log of our trip went something like this:

9:30 p.m. Unpack. Darling little chest is just too cute for contents. Hubby's shirt had to be folded like a dinner napkin. *Memo: bigger drawers next time. Measure them to see that they're a convenient size.*

Closet, which I thought was empty, seems to be full of winter overcoats, fly rods, and old clothes. *Memo: get rid of old clothes, find other storage space for coats, fishing tackle.*

Dressing table offers no place for my hairbrush, being already thoroly dominated by (1) Grandma's silver traveling set, complete with pin tray, buttonhook, soap dish, toothbrush container, jars, bottles, hair receiver; (2) bud vase, which falls over when you put a bud in it; (3) large glass apple filled with faded balls of colored cotton; (4) china horse. *Memo: guest needs space and maybe a hand mirror. No archaic sterling. No tipsy vase. No cotton balls. No horse.*

Organdy dressing-table skirt unsnaps when approached too briskly. Supposedly, this confection is held in place by master tape nailed to the table. But the skirt shrank when washed and now snaps are strained. *Memo: respace snaps on skirt.*

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spirited contest with small, white, fur rug. Final solution—pick up rug, close door, replace rug. *Memo: eliminate rug obstacle.*

Another battle involves removal of organdy bedspreads, pillow shams, flounces, and petticoats. I wind up with a vast armful of charming frippery and no place to put it where it won't get wrinkled. I head for bannister in the hall. Lift rug, open door, drop rug, pick up bedspreads et al, exit, return, pick up rug, close door, replace rug. Reconsider—roll up rug and place in closet. *Memo: have at least one chair or luggage rack.*

10:15 p.m. To bed with books. Cute, low, fat lamp on night table makes cute, low puddle of light (and that 30-watt bulb must have been a nickel cheaper). *Memo: bigger bulb, bigger lamps, or individual flashlights.*

10:30 p.m. Lights out. (And this makes little difference.) Mattresses, built like highway, come to slight crown. *Memo: rotate family in guest room until mattresses are flattened.*

11 p.m. To the bathroom. Up for aspirin, hoping it will make the body more leaden and anchor me to the mattress. Route to bathroom lies around foot of the sleigh bed. Sleigh feature clips me a good one on the thigh as I go past. On return trip, it clips me on the other side. *Memo: switch beds out of the line of bathroom traffic.*

6:30 a.m. Surprise! Small girls (our own), on morning reconnaissance, drop in. Quietly, to be sure, but nevertheless in. *Memo: find a man who installs locks.*

7 a.m. Up for breakfast. And understanding, for the first time, why we've never been bothered with Aunt Mabel or the Jenkins staying with us too long. *Final memo: when fixing up a guest room, try it for size.*

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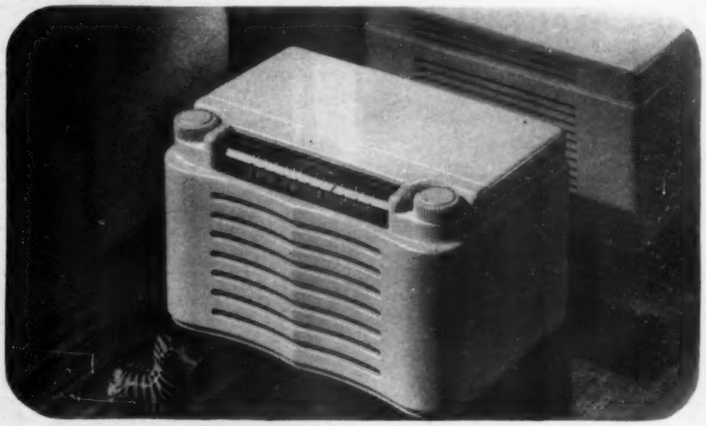

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By Emery Howard

MAY is not too late to plant bulbs of the summer-flowering lilies shown here. These six lilies are rapid growing, sure to bloom this year if you plant flowering sizes.

Lilies don't need to be pampered. Merely plant the bulbs so the top of each is covered with soil three times the depth of the bulb. Any good garden soil will grow good lilies if the drainage is good. But if the soil is wet enough to be sticky, bulbs rot quickly.

Regals and Nankeens need full sun. The others grow equally well in full sun or partial shade. If you plant your lilies in sunny, airy locations, you'll have much less trouble with frost damage and botrytis, a fungus disease.

Plant large, firm bulbs that are guaranteed mosaic-free. "Disease-free" often means merely rot-free. Once infected by a mosaic disease, bulbs remain diseased, and transmit the disease to all young bulbs they produce.

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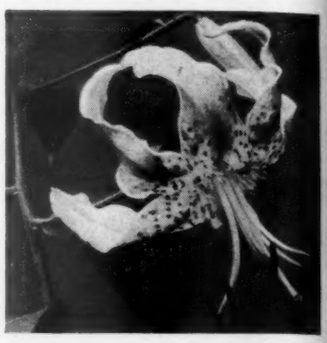

Rubrum lily always excites comment. The large, nodding flowers are white, heavily suffused with pink, gaily spotted with crimson

Nankeen lily produces attractive flowers, pale apricot, sometimes spotted with red. Plants are four feet high, bear 6 to 12 big flowers

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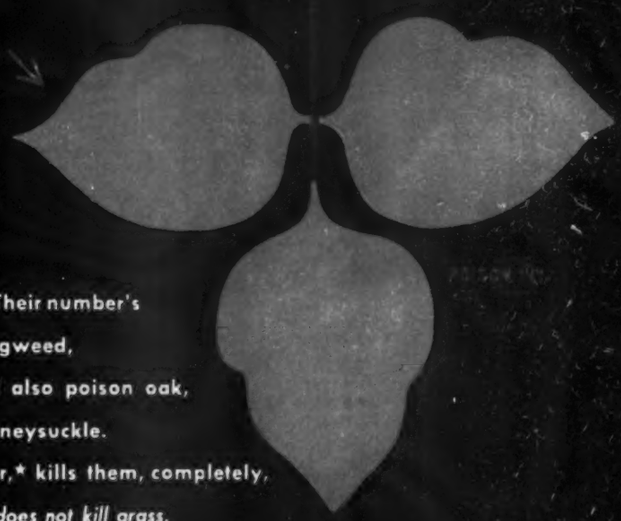

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By Harry R. O'Brien

May 1 On this May Day morn it was 32 degrees and heavy frost outside — with terrific damage — and before the day was over, it was zero inside. Now this isn't as mysterious as it sounds.

As reported last month, I bought a used zero refrigerator freezer box. It was delivered today. It would have to be kept in the basement.

Well, it wouldn't go down our basement stairs. This means it had to go in thru a double areaway window. By taking out the center post and chipping off some of the cement wall of the areaway, the deliverymen got it into said basement. Then it wouldn't go thru the door into the room where we want it.

Our zero freezer box arrived but wouldn't go down the basement stairs

No matter—I hastily cleared away space in a corner of the room where it was, and there 'twas put. There is an electrical outlet just above. So I plugged in the cord. The motor began to hum, and soon frost began to gather within. Less than two hours later, it was plumb zero by a thermometer I put down inside that box.

Maggie went to town to buy suitable containers. She wants to freeze some asparagus and rhubarb pronto. I hurried to write Pfc. Donald to tell him he needn't hurry back from the Army to be here while peas are good. We'll just freeze some, so they'll keep until he does arrive.

When I went forth to work this late p.m., to make sure I could make good this promise, I straightway planted four more rows of peas, just in case. Maybe I should put up a little service flag in front of them. It's too late, really, to plant peas, but I'll take a chance.

Otherwise, sowed annual seeds in a frame. These are for plants to be set out later, toward summer. Cultivated nigh half of the roses. And came indoors with crick in back, to sit and groan thru the evening.

May 2 Hardest chore on this plantation is transplanting vegetable seedlings from hotbed to coldframe. This I've put off for two weeks because of terrible weather. I hated to get them away from heat if such were needed. But today I set to work, tho didn't finish.

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May 3 Now this is the birthday of Pfc. Donald and Mr. David. And it's been raining all day. So, dismally, I wait indoors, and have been speculating about the future and wondering when Donald will get out of the Service, and what I'd like to have, if this were an ideal world.

My first need is a new garden structure. My old tool shed that I made by myself back in 1926 is too little, and it's poorly built. So I want to build me a new one that is to be a dirt-gardener's dream. The south end is to have a little lean-to greenhouse where I can start my plants early in spring. The rest is to be big enough to get in all my tools and things, with racks for hoes and rakes; shelves for storing dusts, sprays, cans, stakes, and the balls of twine; and space for winter lodging of the scarecrow.

And it will have a goodly sized bench for potting and propagating work, and shelves for my collections of old seed and nursery catalogs at which Maggie growls so much, and room for an old-fashioned heating stove, and an easy chair, and an old desk for garden office work. A rack for an extra cob pipe. A vise to hold hoe for filing.

May 4 As I hurried off this morning, Maggie was out in old shoes, cutting asparagus. When I came home tonight, three pints of said asparagus had been blanched, packed, and put away in the bottom of our new zero freeze box. We're off to a new career in home food preservation.

May 5 I need help. My policy of keeping up bird feeding is paying dividends. There are doves nesting in the big honeysuckle near the tool shed and catbirds in the winter honeysuckle outside the kitchen window. But there are other birds about, some seen eating at our bird cafeteria that I can't identify at all. I wish some of the birdlore folks near about would drop in and tell me what they are.

May 6 Sad day, in spite of being bright and warm Sunday. Sick all day. But I wandered around, and by getting down and peering thru the bottom of my bifocals, I see that my foxglove seeds have germinated. No finer flower than foxglove, but you have to grow plants this year to get the bloom next year.

May 7 Before breakfast, the man was here to plow the vegetable garden at back. So this p.m., I hurried home and out in old clothes. Began by putting in first planting of several kinds of hybrid sweet corn, each due to mature at different dates.

May 9 With help from David, I got in our main crop of potatoes tonight. Now, brother, I'm not going to grow so many this year. Last year, I had 14 rows across the space. But tonight I put in only 9. [*Turn to next page*

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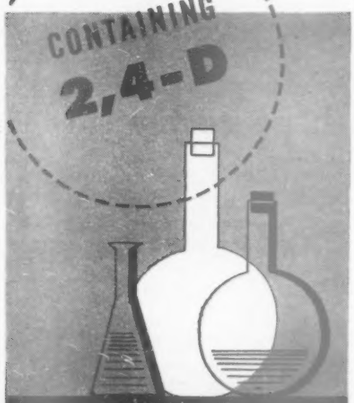

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The Diary of a Plain Dirt Gardener

[*Continued from preceding page*]

May 11 A friend sent me some experimental individual glass plant covers. So tonight I put in some hills of muskmelons and squashes a week to 10 days ahead of usual time. Then put these covers over the hills, each one in effect a little greenhouse.

(Later note: These covers brought up my seedlings far ahead of those sown outside and gave them a big start. I don't know whether this kind of glass cover is on the market yet, but there are other standard types of covers available.)

May 14 Out tonight to use wheel hoe here and yon before supper. After supper, as I smoked a leisurely pipe indoors, a sudden thundershower came up. I ran out to where I had left my wheel hoe. I turned it upside down and ran for the tool shed, pushing it ahead. Something happened—and I was thrown headlong forward right toward those upturned, sharp, cultivating teeth.

I dashed out to get wheel hoe in out of rain. I ran—something happened

There reposes thereon three ripe strawberries—first of the season

Being an agile chap, I managed to fling myself to one side of the teeth, but sprawled full length upon the wet greensward which is in the middle of the garden. I wasn't hurt a mite, except my dignity. I got in my tools, but was also soaking wet.

I had also started to give the roses a thoro job of weeding with a hand hoe. The roses are doing all right, but the beds look *awful* to a visitor who doesn't understand that weeds are a lesser evil than working soil when it is too wet.

May 19 This Saturday afternoon I came quietly back to the house, after my first preliminary walk about the plantation. Found Maggie in the kitchen.

"I thought maybe as how I should work a miracle for you," says I, as I held out my open hand. There reposed thereon three ripe strawberries—first of the year, after four hard frosts have apparently killed off all blossoms.

May 20 This Sunday I'm sorta discouraged. It has rained so much and been so cold these weeks past, that

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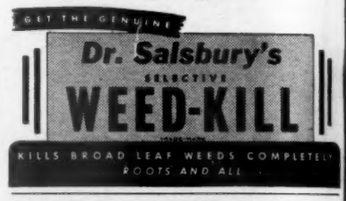

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But the Memorial daisies are in bloom. The first daylily has opened out. For dinner we had asparagus and lettuce from our own garden beds. So all is not exactly gloom.

May 21 Summer arrived today, so I hurried home early, sharpened the weeding hoe and waded in. When David came home, he got out the garden tractor, greased and oiled it, and I went back to cultivate the vegetable space as yet unplanted. Steen million weeds are coming up here, and the best way to get them is by cultivating before I do any further planting.

May 22 There is that space where I didn't plant five rows of potatoes. Here I lapsed or relapsed to my prewar lazy-man habit of putting out flowers amidst the vegetables. This way I can cultivate them easy.

So here I planted two rows of glad corms right next to the potatoes. Then I dug and divided some old clumps of last year's mums and put out two rows of these divisions.

May 28 Planting watermelon, muskmelon, and squash seeds. But heard the voice of Maggie calling. Time to come in and clean up. We went down to the Delta Zeta sorority house over at the State University to be guests there at dinner—and enjoyed it exceedingly.

May 29 Brother, I'm getting sick—bad sick—again. It's a serious case of iris fever. The new catalogs are coming in. I haven't added much in way of new iris for several years. I have a plan to spade up an old strawberry bed and there make a new iris bed, with a good collection of newer varieties. Meanwhile, peonies are coming out. Made second planting of sweet corn.

May 30 Dear me—thermometer at 45 this a.m. So sat indoors and pondered over those iris catalogs. Fell to wondering how my old friends among the iris folks have been doing of late years when I couldn't travel to visit them.

While I did the iris beds, Maggie weeded the beets and carrots

At this point I came down to earth, shivered out on this holiday, and with sharp hoe approached my own, big, iris bed, where the tall bearded ones are now blooming amid the weeds. It wasn't much of a trick—just unbend my dignity, put some elbow grease on the hoe handle, and soon my bed was looking like a million dollars.

May 31 Ended month working with duster. Came in about 9, eyes dripping tears from the sulfur. So the great summer battle agin the bugs and diseases is on.

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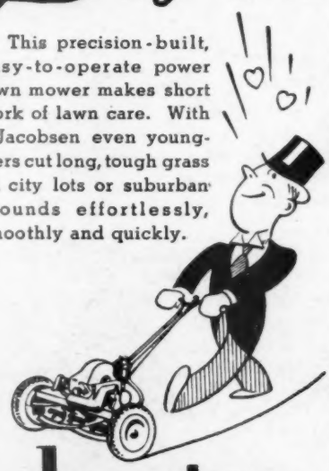

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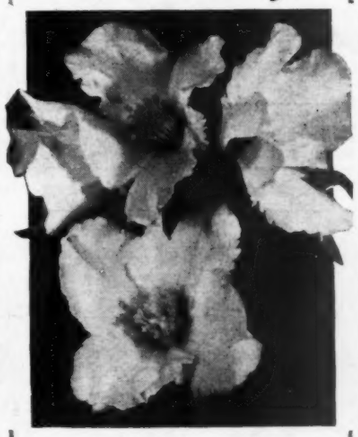

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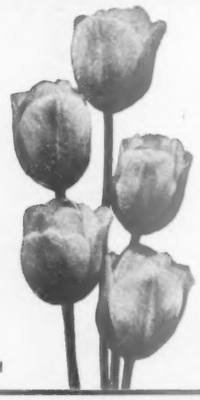

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May Garden Guide

By Harvey Bicknell

MAY, to me, is the month of apple blossoms, tho the pink-and-white blossoms share honors with the hawthorns, peaches, and plums. Memories of this May flower show come back to me again and again thruout the year.

Soil preparation. The soil is now warm and dry enough to be fitted and planted. Spade in a 2-inch layer of organic matter—leaves, manure, peatmoss, or compost. The soil will be easier to work, and plant growth will be better. If they are not diseased, tops of old plant refuse may be used for organic matter.

After the soil has been spaded and raked, apply a complete plant food to the surface and rake it in. Use 4 pounds for each 100 square feet of area—about 1 pint for a plot 5 x 5 feet. This chemical plant food will help the microorganisms in the soil decompose the organic matter into the kinds of food that plants can absorb. And, of course, the plants absorb some of the chemical plant food directly from the soil.

What is pH? In a soil test, acidity of the soil is indicated on a pH scale much as a thermometer indicates temperature in degrees. While it is useful to know the soil pH, I wouldn't worry too much about it. Most garden soils are already within the acidity range—pH 6 to 7—which gives best plant growth of the familiar crops. Rhododendrons, azaleas, blueberries, and similar "acid soil plants" grow successfully only when the soil is quite acid—pH 4 to 5. Soils testing above pH 7 are alkaline and often give trouble even for the usual garden crops.

Soils gradually become more acid because their calcium is reduced by leaching and thru absorption by plants. Lime adds calcium to the soil. But don't use lime unless you know that the soil is more acid than pH 6. Over-liming is hard to correct. Occasionally there are soils which already contain too much lime. Your local county agricultural agent can give directions for a chemical treatment with sulfur or aluminum sulfate to increase the acidity of these soils.

Sowing seeds. Level the soil and mark the rows. Work the soil in the row until it is very fine. This insures good contact between the moist soil particles and the seed. But do not work the soil between the rows too much or it will blow away. Also avoid unnecessary walking on the soil; each time you set your foot down, the soil particles are jammed together and penetration of water and roots is made more difficult.

Cover the seed *lightly*. Seeds buried in cold, wet soil germinate slowly; seeds up near the warm surface of the soil pop into growth. The "seeds" of beets and New Zealand spinach are really clusters of seeds surrounded by a hull. They can be planted a little deeper because the hull softens and disintegrates faster when moisture is plentiful

Favorite vegetables. My garden diary shows Cucumber Cubit favored for slicing. An early white-spine type, it is crisp and has a small seed cavity. Early Calwonder pepper is mild, thick-meated, and ready to eat 10 days before California Wonder. Rutgers and Marglobe tomatoes continue to hold top rating with me.

Early pests. Watch for the pests which strike just as the seedlings come thru the ground. Many ruin the seedlings before you are aware they are present. Be ready to start dusting as soon as the first leaves appear. Striped cucumber beetles, squash-vine borers, squash bugs, and flea beetles are the worst early pests, tho aphids and leaf miners sometimes ruin seedling spinach. And one tomato hornworm can strip a plant in a single night.

I am delighted to hear that prewar-strength rotenone—¾ of 1 percent—is available in 1946. I have found it completely effective and easy to apply as a dust—once each week from the time seedlings appear above the ground, with an extra dusting immediately after each rain. But a tip: the tomato hornworm eats so fast that I advise picking him off by hand, rather than waiting for a poison to kill him.

Hardy annuals. Set out larkspur, snapdragon, petunias, and pansies early in May—zinnias, marigolds, and tuberous begonias can be planted safely after May 25. Use a coldframe to protect [*Turn to page 144*

Keep the flats of annuals in the shade while you are planting. Hot sun damages tender seedlings in flats

Pour a pint of water at the base of each plant when you transplant. This water settles the soil, encourages quick absorption of water

To grow prizewinning spikes of delphinium, clip off at the ground all but three of the new shoots in each old clump. Give each plant a handful of plant food

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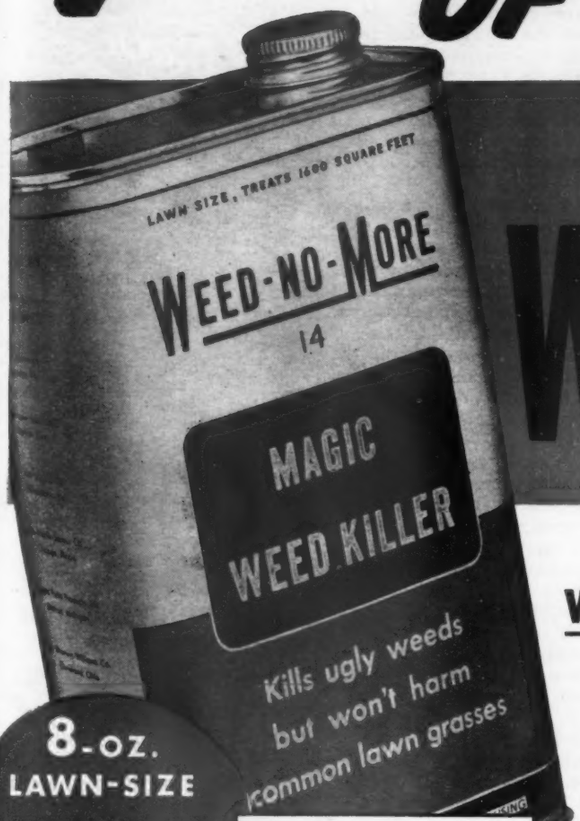

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Lawn mowing. Don't be tempted to set the lawn mower so that it mows shorter than 1½ inches. Scientists have proved that this is the best height if you want the most attractive lawn and the least work in mowing it. Close cutting is particularly bad in the spring because food manufactured by the grass plants now is needed as a reserve in the coming hot weather and to rebuild the root systems. Many of our common lawn grasses rebuild their root system completely each summer.

Seeding a lawn. It's too late to get the best growth of seedling grass, but not too late to seed bare spots overlooked earlier. Loosen the soil in the spots to be seeded, and keep it moist after the seed is sown. Straw, peatmoss, or even burlap helps to conserve moisture. Seeds of many kinds of grass require 3 weeks to germinate.

Be certain that the spot being seeded is level with the lawn, or the new grass will be growing on a bump in the lawn and is likely to get yanked out when you try to mow, or will be cut shorter than it should be.

Shrub pruning. Plan your pruning program so that each variety is inspected immediately after it has finished flowering. Shrubs and trees do not need to be pruned each year unless, thru faulty planning, the wrong plants have been used. But an annual inspection to determine what pruning is needed pays dividends. The sooner you prune after flowering is completed, the more time the plant has to make new growth and flower buds for next year's bloom.

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RECENT experiments conducted by scientists at the Beltsville, Maryland, research station of the United States Department of Agriculture and at Michigan State College point to even wider uses for the various new weed killers based on 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid, the chemical compound popularly known as 2,4-D.

While users are warned to go slow and exercise caution because the action of these weed killers varies with temperature and moisture conditions, a tremendous cut in the amount of hand-weeding now necessary is a distinct possibility.

Drs. J. W. Mitchell and P. C. Marth of the U. S. Plant Industry Station at Beltsville have also worked out a combination lawn spray, a workable short cut that will appeal to all admirers of good lawns.

At Michigan, Drs. H. B. Tukey, C. L. Hamner, and C. L. Moulton have experimented with ridding manures, compost, and muck soils of viable weed seeds. They found that the toxic effects of 2,4-D disappear from the muck soils usually after four weeks.

WHERE these top-dressings for lawns and golf courses are found to be heavily infested with weed seeds, Tukey and Hamner recommend treatment before spreading. Amounts for such treatment and for application to seedbeds (before planting) range from low concentrations expressed as 1 part per million to 100 parts per million. In everyday terms this means that, for a complete kill of seeds in wet soil in warm weather, you may need to use per bushel of soil 2½ quarts of a water solution containing 1,000 parts of 2,4-D per million. This is the recommended dilution of the best-known commercial weed killers based on 2,4-D.

All five scientists caution that the techniques of application are still to be worked out. Doctor Mitchell emphasizes the point that 2,4-D is readily inactivated in warm, moist soil, and that its effect might persist over a long period in very dry soil.

THE Beltsville scientists have also tested a combination spray of 2,4-D, the high-nitrogen fertilizer urea, and a fungus killer, Fermate.

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DDT to Date

By John Webster

There's little danger in household use, but garden use demands caution

IN THE calm afterglow of excitement which greeted widespread distribution of DDT, merits and demerits of the insecticide for home use can be evaluated.

Continuing experiments increase evidence the product is not "the atomic bomb of the insect world"—often it is less effective than older insecticides. Neither is it an evil genie likely to wipe out plant, animal, and human life. It is simply a comparatively safe, efficient insecticide, which, *when used as directed in proper concentrations*, does a better job of controlling some insects for a longer time than anything found in the past.

DDT is probably the forerunner of many new, vastly improved insecticides born in the laboratory. Rothane (DDD) is reported to have DDT's effectiveness with less toxicity. A new British synthetic, 666, is doing a promising job of controlling chiggers and migratory locusts.

INSECTICIDES containing DDT will be widely used in homes this summer. There is little risk in household use of oil sprays containing up to 5 percent DDT, or dusts with a DDT content up to 10 percent, so long as certain normal cautions are observed.

Alone, the product lacks a desirable quick knock-down of flying insects, but that shortcoming can be remedied by adding some older insecticide, such as pyrethrum. The DDT content, if over 2 percent, has the laudable quality of remaining potent for weeks and even months. Adding even 1 percent DDT to insecticides based on pyrethrum, rotenone, or the thiocyanates increases certainty of kill.

SCIENTISTS tend to be less specific, however, in recommending that use of DDT insecticides be extended to the home garden. True, they are less toxic to man than some older insecticides such as Paris green or sodium fluoride. But one of DDT's primary virtues, its prolonged staying power, demands caution in use on fruits or vegetables destined for human consumption. Generally speaking, it appears advisable to await results of further studies. Adequate testing of a new garden insecticide takes several growing seasons.

There's already agreement, however, that DDT is one of the best materials available for combating common insect pests of potatoes, including the potato leafhopper, the Colorado potato beetle, the tarnished plant bug, and the potato flea beetle. It can safely be combined with Bordeaux mixture or other fungicides to make a preparation which controls both insects and diseases—*DDT itself has no value*

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GOING slow in garden use of DDT is still advisable, but there has been no authenticated case of human death traceable to DDT poisoning. With care, DDT dusts may eventually prove the answer in control of leafhoppers, flea beetles, lepidopterous caterpillars, chinch bugs, Japanese beetles, thrips, tarnished plant bugs, cranberry fruitworms, European corn borer, strawberry weevils, rose chafers, rose midge, some aphids, earwigs, vetchbean caterpillars, and many other pests.

On the other hand, there are a number of common garden insects against which DDT has not been found effective, including the Mexican bean beetle, hornworms on tomatoes, the red spider-mite, and some species of aphids. And DDT is toxic to some plants. Small amounts will kill or stunt melons, squash, cucumbers, and other cucurbits, and will retard corn, tomatoes, and beans. Rotenone compounds continue to be the best general-purpose insecticides for the vegetable garden.

Extensive use of DDT insecticides on shade trees, ornamental shrubs, and flowers is expected. Oil-base sprays must never be used, because the solvent will "burn" foliage. But a 40-percent DDT wettable powder, mixed 1 to 1½ pounds per 100 gallons of water, controls codling moths, gypsy moths, spruce budworm, locust leaf miner, pine sawfly, locust borer, leafhoppers, tent caterpillars, cankerworms, thrips, plant bugs, and beetles. Complete coverage of foliage is essential, and several applications are necessary. The boxwood leaf miner can be controlled with a DDT spray applied to the foliage as soon as the heads of pupae turn brown.

THE worst enemy of orchards, the codling moth, has been held in check for as long as two weeks with a single application of a wettable DDT spray. But the insecticide's threat to the honeybee and other pollinators should not be overlooked. DDT is no more lethal to bees than some older insecticides, such as the arsenicals. But if you spray orchards with DDT, do it when trees aren't in bloom.

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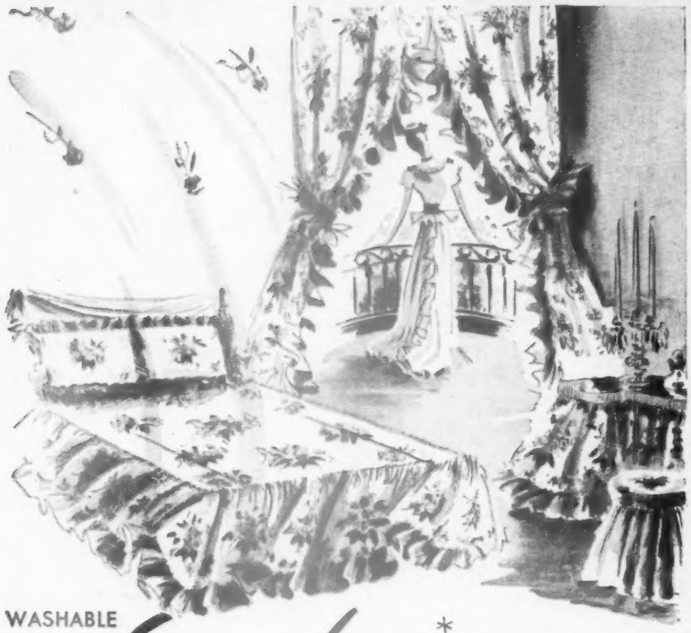

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DDT to Date

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may kill insect enemies of immune pests such as the red spider-mite, thus "upsetting the balance of Nature" and allowing the pest to flourish unchecked. Actually, Nature is unbalanced each time an insect pest gets out of hand. It will take careful scientific evaluation to determine what sacrifice to make in order to restore balance. It might be worth while, for example, to poison some fish in order to save acres of forest threatened by insects.

FOR household use, obtain DDT in the proper form and concentration to suit your needs. Early disappointment in the insecticide was largely due to use of inferior products. Some of them, labeled "Contains DDT—100 Percent Active Ingredients," actually contained as little as 1/100th of 1 percent DDT, and the other active ingredient was kerosene!

Federal regulations at present do not require that the percentage of DDT be placed on the label, so long as the label is not "false or misleading." But many a manufacturer is including that information for his own protection, and as a guide to intelligent purchase and use.

One of DDT's great assets, its lasting potency, disappears in products for household use containing less than 2 percent DDT. Such products have value only as space sprays to kill flying insects present at the moment of use, and, for best results, should also contain pyrethrum as a fast knock-down agent.

To achieve lasting results—up to three or four months unless removed by weathering or washing—a minimum of 3 to 5 percent DDT in an oil or water spray has been widely recommended.

THE aerosol bomb is effective as a contact spray against flying insects, especially if it also contains pyrethrum. But it dispenses particles too fine to leave an effective residue for killing such crawling insects as cockroaches, ants, and bedbugs.

In experiments with DDT paints, best results have been achieved with water-based compounds such as calcimine. Oil paints will be less satisfactory until a solvent is found to bring DDT to the surface.

When you are using DDT in any form, remember the basic precautions. Avoid contamination of food. Avoid inhalation. When spraying with an oil solution do not smoke. Stay away from open flame—there's a serious fire hazard. Wash spilled oil solutions from skin immediately, and never use oil solutions on animals. Don't use DDT in any form on cats. Remove canaries and goldfish from the room while spraying.

HERE are current recommendations for controlling specific insect pests:

Flies, Mosquitoes, and Gnats: In homes, apply 5-percent oil solution to screens, walls, ceilings, painted woodwork, and light fixtures with coarse spray or mop brush. If spray is used, wet surface thoroly with 1 quart per 250 square feet. Treat light places for flies, dark corners

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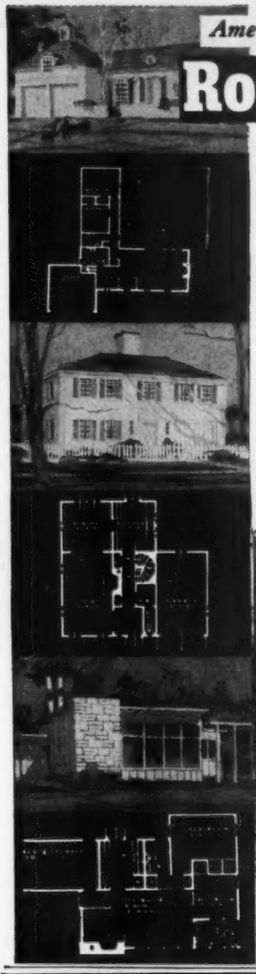

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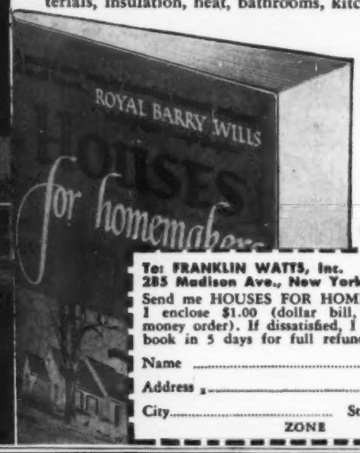

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Nobody replied. Father glanced around the table surreptitiously. Everyone was busy eating.

"You know," said Father, a note of disappointment creeping under the edge of a tone he tried to keep casual, "these monthly Lions Club dinners are quite some affairs. Last month the head of Tabor and Company spoke. And the month before, the Mayor—"

A girlish shriek tore off Father's mild remarks like a used memorandum sheet. "Junior, stop joggling my elbow! Mother, make him—"

"Aw, you started it," in Junior's squeaky, adolescent inflections. "She swiped my butter, Mom—"

"Children, stop quarreling or leave the table!" Mother had been watching with apprehension the renewal of a feud which had started earlier about high-school marks. She appeased Junior with more butter. "Fred," she addressed Father, vaguely aware that he had been saying something, "you ought to get home earlier—"

FATHER sighed, and the light of pleasant anticipation died in the worry wrinkles at the corners of his eyes. "Sorry, Myra," he mumbled, stuffing his mouth with spinach, the only vegetable left.

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away at her housework, day after day, planning healthful meals on a limited budget, waiting on Dad and the children hand and foot, trying to please and appease everybody, and picking up after them. And what is her reward? Eternal complaints, very likely, and grouchy criticism. When Mother produces a grand dinner, arranges a hilariously successful birthday party, or maybe gets elected president of the local P.T.A., does the family rally round and give the old girl three rousing cheers? They do not! Each goes about his business, taking Mother's accomplishments for granted.

BUT they seldom neglect her failings. "Gee, Mom, why do ya always hafta get roast lamb for dinner when you know I hate it?" Or, "There wasn't enough ice cream at the party, Mummie. I only got a teeny, weeny bit—"

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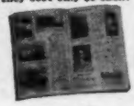

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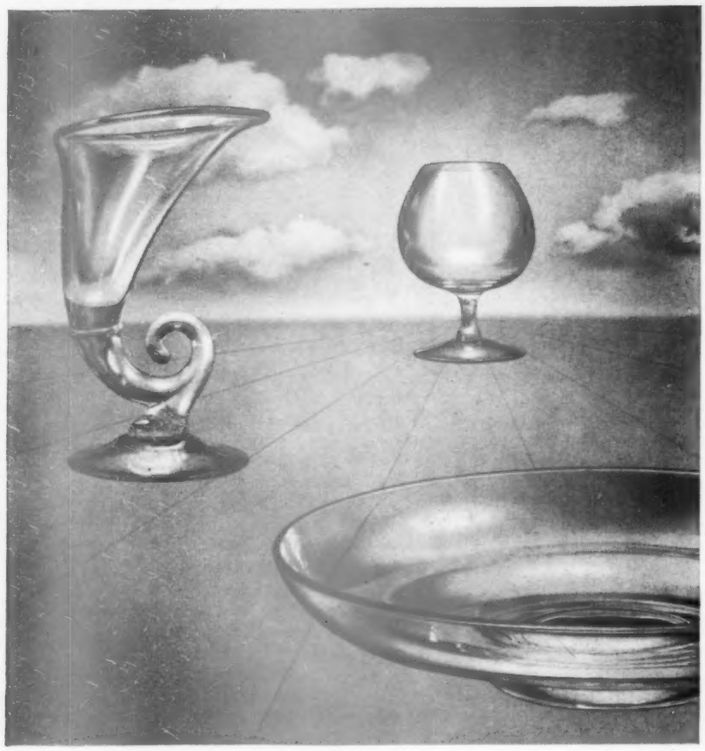

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complaints out of your thoughts. Human beings do their best work and their best play in a home atmosphere of admiration, intelligent appreciation, and emotional encouragement. If they don't get the praise they seek at home, most of them will leave home as soon as they can and try to gather around them people who will applaud their efforts.

HOME is—or should be—the one harbor of emotional safety in all the world, where every member of the family can be sure of protection in times of stress, where he can count on small, but pure-gold crowns of glory on all triumphant occasions. From childhood, brothers and sisters should be taught to admire each other's and their parents' exploits.

Boasting to outsiders about successful members of your family is all very useful for making your own ego shine in reflected glory. But the important thing is to praise these doers of worthwhile deeds when you meet them at the breakfast table. You've got to teach yourself to think of Dad as a big shot at the Lions Club, Mother as a real authority on homemaking and child education, Brother as a football star, and Sister as a school social leader. Then you'll realize your privilege in associating with these people whom strangers admire.

The idea, of course, is not to flatter uncritically. Silly boastings which are table conversation and no more must meet with the sarcastic humor they deserve, at home as elsewhere. You want your family to be real people, not fatheads, so don't encourage them to swell up like the fabulous frog and finally burst from too much self-inflating hot air.

"I DON'T believe you got an A in Physics, Jimmie!" "You don't, huh! I'll show you!" And Jimmie dashes for his report card. *Then* it's up to younger brother, Floyd, and Dad and Mummie to inspect that wonderful top mark in a tough subject and pile on the praise. Let Jimmie strut his stuff—if he's got the stuff. It's your victory as well as Jimmie's! Pretty nice to have a brother, or a son, who gets A in Physics, isn't it? Swell for the family, too. So give Jim his full mead of praise. For the love of murder, don't let Jimmie or any other daily intimate put one over on you and kid you with empty boasts! But if one of your family pals has done anything worthwhile, give him a big hand.

Some of your home folks, naturally, will accomplish bigger things than others. But you'll find something praiseworthy about every one of them every day, if you look for it. Set aside the first 15 minutes of each dinner hour to listen to the deeds and fears and successes of every one of the family. And find something sympathetic and encouraging to contribute to each. Mutual admiration is the psychological cement you need to unite a group of diverse personalities for life. Make it your boast that no member of your family is without honor in his own house.

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A Case of Nonsupport

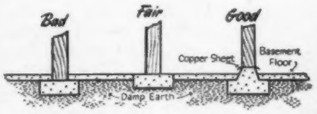
By W. C. Pickard

IN AN old house, the support given basement girders by wooden uprights is often more illusion than fact. Moisture enters the end-grain at the base, the post decays, and the house settles. But the owner's first notice that something is wrong comes when the house sags out of shape, plaster cracks, and doors refuse to latch.

For ideal construction, supporting posts are set on concrete piers extending a few inches above the surface of the basement floor. Piers should be tapered to the size of the post to eliminate a water-holding shelf. A sheet of copper between post and pier will serve as an effective moisture barrier.

A competent builder can raise a sagged floor into place with jack screws, while rotten ends of uprights are sawed off and replaced with concrete piers.

IN THE poorest construction, post footings are set below the basement floor surface, with concrete poured



two to three inches up around the post. Moisture content of the concrete will speed decay, even tho the surface is dry, and the post may seem sound even as it rots. Such construction calls for immediate correction.

If footings are set flush with the floor, the base of the post should be inspected at regular intervals, and a pier built as soon as rot is detected. Let the builder determine the amount of floor sag to be eliminated; if a house has settled over a period of years, an attempt to realign it may only crack plaster and otherwise multiply possibility for trouble.

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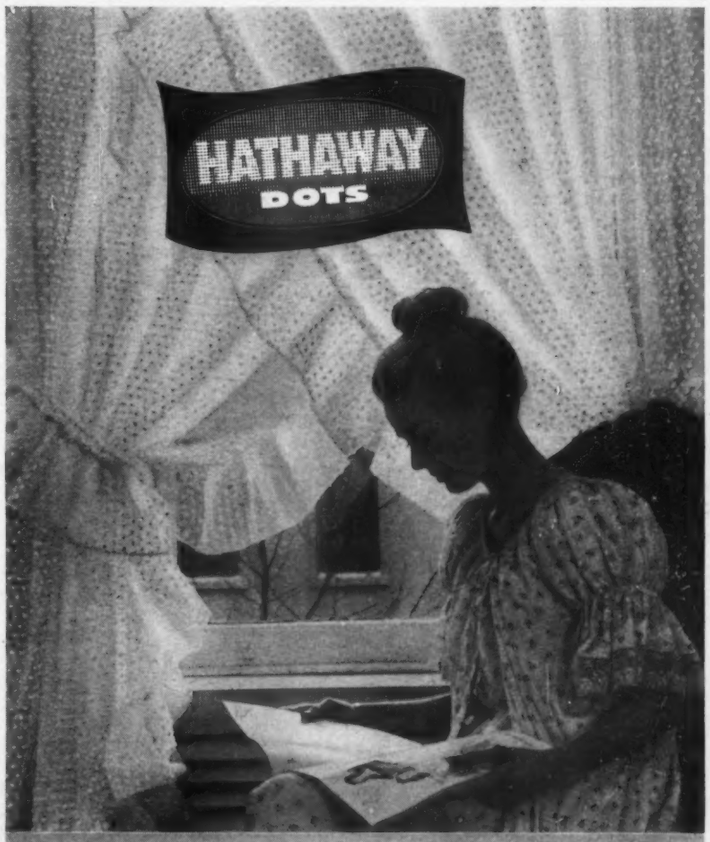

Crisp curtains of Hathaway dotted marquisette make a setting of sheer beauty. Hathaway curtains are economical and durable, too—for the dots are carefully woven in.

It's NEWS to Me!

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.

By Marion J. Edwards

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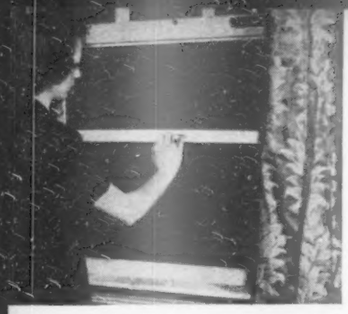
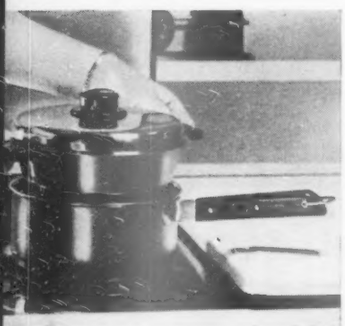


Screen-storm window unit. This is a housewife making her winter home into her summer home. She has just pushed up the storm sash (where it stays till needed again) and is pulling down the screen. She hasn't had to lift out windows or lift in screens—no heavy work, no storage problem. Two storm sash and one half screen move up or down on sliding guides to any position. *Screen-Storm Unit*, in standard window sizes, with hardware, ready to install. At lumber dealers. Curtis Companies, Inc., Clinton, Iowa.

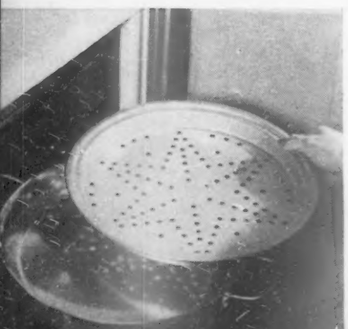


Silver cleaner. Put the powder in boiling water, add the metallic envelope it came in, then put in your tiredest, most tarnished silver so that it touches the envelope or other silver touching the envelope. Watch the tarnish float away in seconds. Tests show that *Dippo Silver Cleaner* is safe for your most treasured sterling or plate—no rubbing with abrasives to wear away finish. Pkg. containing 8 envelopes (each envelope cleans about 50 pieces), 69c in stores only. Interchemical Corp., Trade Sales Div., Fair Lawn, N. J.

Double boiler leads a triple life: it's a unit or, separated, bottom pan is 2-qt. saucepan, top pan is handsome serving dish. Pans are *Ekcoware*, with stainless-steel bodies, copper bottoms to distribute heat evenly, and chrome overlay to make cleaning easier. Black plastic knobs and handles are heat resistant. In stores now or soon, Ekco Products Co., 949 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago 39, Ill.

Hamper, both lightweight and strong, is made of rustproof aluminum and plywood. Rounded edges make for easy cleaning, fewer sharp bumps. Ventilation's adequate, thru lifting slots and holes at bottom. Enameled in white, blue, green, peach, or dusty rose with contrasting lid, *Detecto Hamper* is 28" high, 20" wide, 12" deep, weighs 14 lbs. With floral decoration, $13.95; without, $12.95. Detecto Scales, Inc., 1 Main St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y.

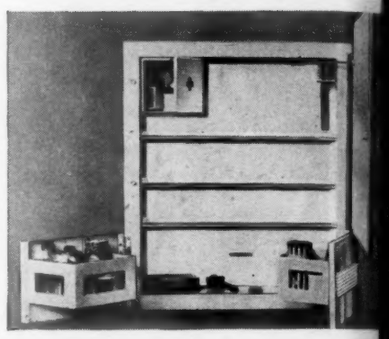
Oil-base paint covers all types of interior surfaces: wallpaper, paint, plaster, plywood, even brick. Finish is flat, nonporous, washable. There's no hint, even on wallpaper, of oil content. Usually one coat does the job; coverage is about 500 sq. ft. per gallon. *Nu-Enamel Primerless* is ready for use as it comes in the can. In 9 soft shades, at paint store, $3.19 per gallon. Nu-Enamel Corp., 8 So. Michigan Ave., Chicago 3, Ill.



Double broiler, like its namesake, has inner and outer pan. Perforations in top let juice and drippings from meat into bottom pan, where they can't burn or smoke, but are saved for gravy. Avoids getting the big broiling pan dirty for small amounts. Top pan's also good for straining and steaming, bottom for biscuit baking. *Buckeye Aluminum Broilerette*, 12" dia., $1.34 in stores. The Buckeye Aluminum Co., 770 Spruce St., Wooster, Ohio.

Nylon tumbler. You can let it tumble—it won't break or chip. Watch young Hercules dash his empty mug to the floor. Listen to the bathroom "glass" bounce on the tile. And smile, because these accidents, which will happen, won't hurt. You can boil the tumbler to keep it sanitary. It's *Du Pont* ivory *nylon* (no colors), is featherweight, about 3½" tall, and curved to fit your grip. Retains its luster. In stores, $1. DuBois Plastic Products, Inc., 37 Franklin St., Buffalo 2, N. Y.

Decals enliven your kitchen, add play-spirit to nursery or children's room. Designed by Tony Sarg and printed in circus colors, designs are smartest with red, black, or yellow trimming in room. Single sheet of 21 decals, as shown, with directions, $1 ppd. For painting or needlework to match decals, use tracing patterns that print designs in several sizes, some as large as 18" across. Four large sheets, ppd., $1. R. W. Cummings, Inc., Box 1435, Lancaster, Pa.



Bathroom cabinet corners poisons in safety compartment (upper left) that has secret opening. Push-button release is on top of cabinet, out of youngsters' sight. Swinging doors at bottom open, double the space for daily-use items like tooth paste and shaving cream. Glass shelves are adjustable, polished plate mirror has chromium frame. *Parkway De Luxe Bathroom Cabinet*, white enameled, $33.50. For availability, check with Faries Mfg. Co., 1036 E. Grand Ave., Decatur, Ill.

Pickle pick pulls the most recalcitrant olive out of its tight little nest. You jab once and the olive's caught—no need to poke it full of holes. Curve on shank hooks pickles, cherries, or olives securely enough to defy the usual hazards on the way out. *Pickle Prong* has acid-resistant steel shaft, plastic handle in red, green, blue, or crystal. Specify color preference. Ppd., 25c. B-Hive Industries, Benson, Vt.

Appliance cord has a permanent corkscrew curl. It extends five to six times its original length, giving you the usual 6' of working length when you need it. Rubber covering is molded in spiral, flexes easily. Cord doesn't kink, tangle, or fray, and you've no knotty storage problem. Plug in about 12" above ironing level or suspend from hook at that height. *Kellogg Koiled Kord*, $2.95 in stores (slightly higher west of Rockies). Division, Kellogg Switchboard & Supply Co., 6650 So. Cicero Ave., Chicago 38, Ill.

New broom sweeps clean. Pelican-like jaws gobble up trash, grass, and leaves, and deposit them in container. You don't stoop or bend. Operate the jaws by pushing wood handle thru spiral rod. *Pelican Pick-Up Rake* is light as a broom, 18" wide, has 48" hardwood handle, spring-steel teeth. In stores, $2. Ferris Factories, Inc., 225 Springdale Ave., York, Pa.